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Queries ARE for Amateurs!

By Lodwick Alford, Chairman of the Board

If you are a member of a genealogical society, no doubt you will have noticed numerous queries in the back of the society journal and passed them over. Perhaps you had a random thought that those queries are for trained or professional genealogy researchers.

Think again. Many professional genealogy researchers wouldn't be caught dead sending in a query. They are too proud of their craft to depend on others for research information. They want to do their own digging for family facts. This is fine if you have the time, and it must be said there is nothing like the thrill of finally uncovering a missing link in your family yourself!

But if you don't have the time, if you are eighty years old and have been searching for over sixty years for missing family links, you are not too proud to send in a query. Lets look at some arithmetic. If you have access to a good genealogy library and do say ten hours of research for five days covering twenty books per day, you have researched 100 books. But if you send in a query, you will have reached thousands upon thousands of amateurs like yourself who have done some family research—not all on Alford's to be sure, but some who may have run across our Alford's in their searches. It only takes one.

I belong to four genealogical societies and four family associations and I can truthfully say I have made more progress in filling in the missing family links in the last ten years by use of queries than any other tool of research. You have all followed my exchange of letters with Jim Alford of Houston wherein he and I differ on the identities of the many confusing Lodwick Alford's. There were certainly four—and I believe five—different Lodwicks alive during the Revolutionary War, all kin and all living within a radius of about fifty miles of each other.

During the last few years by use of queries I have learned of two different court cases, entirely unrelated, which pretty conclusively prove that the first Lodwick we know about, ole Lodwick b. 1710, traveled to Georgia in his declining years and most probably died there. We don't have the "smoking gun proof" yet, but I believe it's out there.

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New Member Lineages

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Each of the lineages below was sent to the member for review and comment several months ago. Appropriate changes and corrections were made on those that were returned. Those that were not returned are being published as is and may or may not be correct.

This is essentially the same format as you saw in the last issue. A number from 1 to 3 appears at the right of the data in the Footnote column. In the notes at the end you will see a comment that tells you those with a 1 or 2 were commented on in previous issues. Those with a 3 are commented on in this issue. In the next issue that note, 3, will refer back to this issue. Space will not permit us to publish each applicable footnote in each issue. We regret the inconvenience of having to refer back to previous issues.

You will also find a date (like 2/94) at the end of the comments about each ancestor. As changes are made and that date changes, the next time the ancestor appears in this lineage section it will be with the updated notes showing the original and revised dates.

Remember, the data used for these lineages is very fluid. If you have not done so it is suggested you read the article on

page 57 in the Winter 1994 issue, especially the second two columns.

The reference between the pedigree number at the left and the ancestor's name is a reference used in our computer system to identify a specific person. No two persons will ever have the same code. If a person marries, a numeric suffix is added to identify the marriage: 01, 02, etc. In some early cases it may be 0A, 0B, etc but these are being revised. If two people with the same name are born in the same state in the same year—which is the basis for the reference—a distinction is made by adding 0A, 0B, 0C, etc. By showing males in upper case and females in lower case, we are able to double the number of codes possible. Dates are normally shown as year, month, and day. Places are shown with the abbreviation of the state and an abbreviation of the county. Burial places may include the name of the town or the cemetery.

We continue to urge you to advise us of the comments that need to be recorded and published pertaining to your ancestor. If you have already submitted that information and it is not shown, then please send us a reminder.

Send remarks pertaining to these lineages to AAFA, POB 1586, Florissant MO 63031—not to the editor in California.

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632 Mavis Diane Alford Garlick

1	mav948mi	MAVIS DIANE	19481111	MI MONT					
	m.	GARLICK, ROBNEY LEE	19530824	MI MONT		19780624		MI MONT	
2	ROB925LA	ROBERT DANIAL	19250505	LA VERN					
	m.	SCHUTTE, JULIA ANN	19300820	MI KENT		19471017		TX LIBE	
4	ROB891LA	ROBERT DEWIT	18910715	LA DESO	19780817	TX COMA	OLD CIVIL WR	TX COMA	3
	m.	CHAPMAN, GEORGIA V.	1896	LA DESO	1929	LA CADD	1915CA	LA SABI	
8	LOU862LA01	LOUIS CHARLES	186204	LA	19390922	LA	PROGRESS	LA SABI	3
	m.	1 WHITE, SARAH	186506	LA	1896	LA SABI	18801202	LA SABI	
16	WIL823MS	WILLIAM H. HARRISON	18230803	MS PIKE			PROGRESS	LA SABI	3
	m.	MCDONAL, MARY	1830/33	LA	18520322	LA DESO			
32	EDW792NC	EDWIN BARKSDALE	17921112	NC CUM?	18780310	MS PIKE	ROADSIDE	MS PIKE	3
	m.	SMITH, MARTHA P.	18020302	SC	18610808	MS	18181220	MS PIKE	

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633 Richard M. Alford

1	RIC925IL RICHARD m. CONRAD, ROBERTA J.	19250521 19260302		19530221		
2	FRE890IL FRED EUGENE m. NELSON, LILLIE M.	18900524 IL LAKE 18991025 MI IRON		19691016 IL LAKE 19721221 IL LAKE	19230627	IL LAKE IL LAKE
4	ERN860EIA ERNEST C. m. MOODY, KATIE R.	1860E IA ??		19200421 MI IRON 1938 CA LOSA		IL LAKE
8	WYL829NY WYLLIS D. m. CUTLER, MATILDA	18290714 NY LEWI		19060908 IL LAKE		
16	ORS806NY ORSON m. _____, ANNA	1806CA NY				

634 Brandon Myers Alford

1	BRA951NY BRANDON MYERS	19510823 NY				
2	JOH922 JOHN CRANE m. MYERS, DIANE	19220320 NJ				
4	WIL889 WILLIAM J.	18890313		197109		
8	WIL861PA WILLIAM J.	1861CA PA		1943		3
16	JOH828PA JOHN m. BLAKESLEE, MARY A.J.	18280125 PA BEAV 183202 NY		19140426 FL DUVA 191002 CA LOSA		3
32	THO800PA THOMAS m. MCMILLEN, REBECCA	18000529 PA BEAV 17960906		18700912 18501014	18220904	3
64	MIC770IR MICHAEL m. MCCREADY, MARTHA	1770<E IRELAND 1764CA IRELAND		1799CA PA 1850< PA		3 IRELAND

635 Halcut Alford

1	HAL920TX HALCUT	19200713 TX				
2	ROB890TX01 ROBERT ATTICUS m. 1 STUBBS, ELLA MAE	18900505 TX BURL 18950806 TX BURL		19790807 TX BURL 19880920 MI KENT	ROBT ALFORD 19180511	TX BURL TX BURL
4	HAL854TX HALCOT m. SCOTT, MARY JANE	18541127 TX BURL 18520728 TX		19280627 19130728		18760222
8	RIC818GA RICHARD E. m. 2 LEE, FRANCES ELIZ.	18181215 GA MOR? 18270325 MS MONR		18870126 MS MADI 19040308 GA	SHARON 18460908	3 MS MONR
16	HAL789GA HALCUT m. _____, HARRIETT C.	17890505 GA GREE 17970622 SC		18580313 MS MADI 18580717 MS MADI	SHARON 1812/14	MS MADI GA ????

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636 Lucille Alford Gainey

1	ber925ms BERNICE LUCILLE m. GAINAY, ROSS D.	19251105 MS LEAK 19490810 MS SCOT				
2	SAM893MS SAMUEL HAMILTON m. ESTES, FRANCES	18930102 MS LEAK 18950615 MS LEAK		19710214 MS LEAK 19770215 MS LEAK	NEW HOPE 19130903	MS LEAK MS LEAK
4	COL850GA COLUMBUS WASH. m. GLOVER, MARYANN	18500112 GA TROU 18570811 AL TALP		19361129 MS LEAK 19440127 MS LEAK	SHOCKALO 18710917	MS LEAK * AL TALP
8	JAM817GA JAMES FLOYD m. ELLIS, SARAH J.	1817CA GA GREE 1820CA GA GREE		AL AL		3 GA TROU
16	ZAD787GA ZADDOCK m. SHERRILL, PERRENE	1787CA GA GREE 1795CA		18231215 GA MORG 18251116 GA ??		* GA GREE

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637 Donald Wilson Alford

1	DON950FL	DONALD WILSON	19500519	FL DADE				
	m.	JONES, ANNE ELIZABETH	19511031					
2	WOO918TX	WOODROW WILSON	19180225	TX CORY				
	m.	MCALLISTER, MARGIE						
4	JOH886TN	JOHN ANSON	18860125	TN	19691225	TX MCLE		
	m.	ADAMS, BESSIE MAE			19750124	TX MCLE		
8	THO867TN	THOMAS JEFFERSON	18670412	TN	19480318	TX CORY		
	m.	JONES, ANNIE	18701224	TN	19400714		18700124	TN
16	JOH830TN	JOHN B.	1830CA	TN	1892<	TN RUTH		
	m.	WARD, MARTHA ELIZ.	18420118	TN	19081213	TX CORY	18580601	TN RUTH

638 James Alan Swan

3	fay938la	FAYE	19380405	LA WASH				
	m.	SWAN, PAT						
6	BER906LA	BERCHEL LAZAR	19061216	LA WASH				
	m.	BURCH, ORA MAE	19100504		19300206	MS WALT		
12	WIL886LA	WILEY BANTON	18860710	LA WASH	19760223	LA WASH BOGUE CHITTO	LA WASH	
	m.	MILLER, EMMA R.	18850808		19710301	LA WASH 19050903	LA WASH	
24	JEP862LA0A	JEPHTHA MARTIN	18620722	LA WASH	19480526	LA WASH ALFORD	LA WASH	3
	m.	1 PURVIS, FANNY O.	186910		18960310	LA WASH 1885CA	LA WAS?	
48	JOH807LA	JOHN SEABORN	18071011	LA WASH	18911115	LA WASH IDDO FARM	LA WASH	2
	m.	BRUMFIELD, MARGARET	18190209	MS PIK?	18550918	LA WASH 1835CA	LA WASH	

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639 Pollyanna Gregg

213	eli720va	ELIZABETH	1720CA	VA LOUD	1763>	VA LOU?		3
	m.	GREGG, SAMUEL	1699	SCOTLAN	1803/04	VA LOUD 17310331	VA MIDD	

641 Delores Alford Thomas

1	del930la	DELORES MARIE	19301128	LA WASH				
	m.	THOMAS, VIRGIL H.	19260921	LA WASH	19500425	MS PEAR		
2	BER906LA	BERCHEL LAZAR	19061216	LA WASH				
	m.	BURCH, ORA MAE	19100504		19300206	MS WALT		
4	WIL886LA	WILEY BANTON	18860710	LA WASH	19760223	LA WASH BOGUE CHITTO	LA WASH	
	m.	MILLER, EMMA R.	18850808		19710301	LA WASH 19050903	LA WASH	
8	JEP862LA0A	JEPHTHA MARTIN	18620722	LA WASH	19480526	LA WASH ALFORD	LA WASH	3
	m.	1 PURVIS, FANNY O.	186910		18960310	LA WASH 1885CA	LA WAS?	
16	JOH807LA	JOHN SEABORN	18071011	LA WASH	18911115	LA WASH IDDO FARM	LA WASH	2
	m.	BRUMFIELD, MARGARET	18190209	MS PIK?	18550918	LA WASH 1835CA	LA WASH	

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642 Stephen Harold Alford

1	STE915NC	STEPHEN HAROLD	19150730	NC JOHN				
	m.	BUNN, CLEO SAVONNE	19150709	NC JOHN	19360730	NC DURH		
2	STE878NC	STEPHEN HARDY	18780818	NC JOHN	19391205	NC JOHN		
	m.	CHANCE, IDA	1878	NC	18990129	NC JOHN		
4	BEN854NC	BENJAMIN JOSEPH	18540824	NC ??	19140908	NC JOH?	BOYETTE	NC JOHN 3
	m.	BOYETTE, KIZIAH	18530329		19220714		18760213	NC JOHN
8	HEN826NC	HENRY HARDY	18260214	NC FRAN	18870602	NC JOH?	BOYETTE	NC JOHN
	m.	POPE, EMILY (MILLIE)	18370303		18780921		18531108	NC
16	EXU788NC	EXUM	1788CA	NC	1850>			2
	m.	_____, ELIZABETH						

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644 Owen John Alford

1	OWE955CA	OWEN JOHN	19550222	CA SNTB				
	m.	WARNER, LORI KAY	19560816					
2	HOW925OK	HOWARD ANSON	19251215	OK TULS				
	m.	FOY, MARY GABRIEL	19230418	CA SANF	19521004	CA LOSA		
4	THO891TX	THOMAS LAUHON	18910110	TX YOUG	19771003	AZ MARI	LAKWOOD	MN HENN
	m.	WALTER, GERTRUDE M.	1915					
8	JAM864TX	JAMES WELCH	18640712	TX LIME	19430922	TX JACK	PIONEER	TX YOUN
	m.	MAULDIN, FRANCES L.	18721113	TX REDR	19040818	TX YOUN	18891224	TX JACK
16	JAC834LA0B	JACOB LAUHON	18341225	LA NATC	18840322	TX JACK	PIONEER	TX YOUN 3
	m.	1 SMITH, SARAH ANN	18380202	TX ROBE	19200730	TX YOUN	18550830	LA SABI
32	NEE789NC	NEEDHAM JUDGE	17890712	NC CUM?	18690919	TX LIME	HORTON HILL	TX LIME 3
	m.	WADDELL, MARTHA	17960515	SC	18760711	TX LIME	18150218	MS FRAN

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645 Pat McGuyer

25	nan817tn02	NANCY ANN	1817CA	TN DAVI	18990117	TX LEON		3
	m.	2 YOUNG, JOSEPH ROBERT	18360302	TN DAVI				

646 William Sullivan

A	jul824ga	JULIET WARREN	18240116	GA NEWT	18790829	GA TROU		3
	m.	COX, ALBERT EWING	18401126	GA TROU				
B	JUL799GA01	JULIUS CAESAR	17990510	GA GREE	18630101	AL MONT	FAMILY	AL MONT 3
	m.	1 COOK, ELIZA ASHLEY	18040425		18430706	GA MERI	18210314	GA GREE
C	LOD775NC	LODWICK CADE	17750202	NC FRAN	18570722	GA TROU	ALFORD	GA TROU 3
	m.	JACKSON, JUDITH	17780202	NC GUIL	18440630	GA TRO?	17890516	GA GREE

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647 Susan Laubengayer

5	eli879mo	ELIZABETH OATMAN	18791115	MO BATE	19530220	MO JACK	KANSAS CITY	MO JACK
	m.	ST. CLAIR, HARRY K.	18730912	MO RAND	19520411	MO JACK	18030602	MO LAFA
10	ROB848MO	ROBERT MORROW	18470714	MO LAFA	19000707	MO LAFA	LEXINGTON	MO LAFA
	m.	BARROWS, FLORENCE	18530420	MO BATE	19260630	MO LAFA	18730109	MO BATE
20	THO811VA	THOMAS	1811CA	VA MONR	18900417	MO LAFA		
	m.	FIFE, MALINDA MILLER	18220103	VA MONR	18890816	MO LAFA	18400909	

648 Charles K. Alford, Jr.

1	CHA941TX	CHARLES KNOWLES	19410911	TX WICH				
	m.	EATON, CAROLYN	19610126	TX TARR				
2	CHA918TX	CHARLES KNOWLES	19180411	TX PALO	19860501	TX PARK	MEMORY GARDN	TX PARK
	m.	HARRIS, MAXINE	19231027	TX STEP	19400812	TX JACK		
4	JAM890TN	JAMES BURNS	18900128	TN LAWR	19370504	TX PALO	MINERAL WELL	TX PALO 3
	m.	KNOWLES, HATTIE G.	18940302	TX BELL	19851004	TX PALO		
8	CHA867TN	CHARLES A.	18671018	TN	19420814	TX PALO		
	m.	BURNES, SARAH A.						
16	JAM832TN01	JAMES MADDEN	183209	TN LAWR				
	m.	1 CHILDRESS, MARTHA F.	1838CA	TN	1876		18581221	TN LAWR
32	ISA805NC	ISAAC W.	18051114	NC FRAN	18591123	TN LAWR		
	m.	EDMISTON, MARY P.	1812	TN	1876		18310726	TN LAWR
64	BAI781NC	BAILEY	17810715	NC FRAN	1836-40	TN LAW?		IN LAWR
	m.	WILLIAMS, NANCY	17800725	NC WAKE	18630321	TN LAWR	18000724	NC FRAN
128	ISA748NC	ISAAC	1748E	NC				3
	m.	ALFORD, MARY	1760E	NC	1846CA	NC		NC
130	mar760nc	MARY	1760E	NC				3
	m.	ALFORD, ISAAC	1748E					NC

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256 JUL717VA	JULIUS	17170904 VA NEWK	177111 NC BUTE	1745EEE NC ????	1
m.	NEWTON?, LUCY				
260 LOD740NC	LODWICK	1740CA NC			
512 JAM687VA	JAMES	1687CA VA ????	VA		1
520LOD710VA03	LODWICK	1710CA VA NEWK	1787 GA		2
m.	3 _____, _____				
1024 JOH645VA	JOHN	1645E 17100314	VA NEWK	3	
1040 JAM687VA	JAMES	1687CA VA ????	VA		1
2080 JOH645VA	JOHN	1645E	17100314 VA NEWK		3

649 Mabel Thaanum

3 jes875ia	JESSIE LUCINA	18751010 IA CLAT	19641104 IA WEBS		
m.	LINDSTROM, JOSEPH E.				
6 HEN823NY	HENRY DWIGHT	18230317 NY LIVI	19100517 IA WEBS		
m.	RAWSON, MARTHA E.	18361202 SULL	18560831 IA CLAT		
12 MEL793MA	MELZAR	17930401 MA HAMS	185002 IN ALLE		
m.	SMITH, LURA	1798CA	1860 IA CLAT		
24 BEZ762MA	BEZALEEL	17621119 MA HAMD	18270902 NY LIVI		
m.	GOODMAN, MARY	MA HAM?	1837 IN ALLE	MA HAM?	
48AZA738MA01	AZARIAH	17380120 MA HAMS	18190111 MA HAMS		
m.	1 NASH, ABIGAIL	17400217 MA HAMS	17820331 MA HAMS	17620105	MA HAMD
96 JOH711MA	JOHN ALVORD	17111020 MA HAMS	17580708 MA HAMS		
m.	WHITE, ABIGAIL	17130820 MA HAMS	17571119 MA HAMS	17340717	
192JOH685MA0B	JOHN ALVORD	16851019 MA HAMS	17571121 MA HAMS		
m.	LYMAN, DORCAS	16900811 MA HAMS	17701115 MA HAMS	17081229	MA HAMS
384 THO653CT	THOMAS ALVORD	16531027 CT HART	16880722 MA HAMS		3
m.	TAYLOR, JOANNA	16650927 MA HAMS	17380228 MA HAMS	16810322	MA HAMS
768 ALE627EN	ALEXANDER ALVORD	162710=< ENGLAND	16871003 MA HAMS		3
m.	VORE, MARY	1686<	16461029 CT HART		

(see Early Alford Ancestors of Thomas Alford 1585 following the new lineages)

650 Jeanette Alford Lee

1 nel955ga	NELL JEANETTE	19550424 GA DECA			
m.	LEE, WADE BRUCE II	19530123 CA SACR	19770813 CA SACR		
2 PHI926CA	PHILIP EDWARD	19260305 CA ORAN			3
m.	HOUSTON, INA NELL	19331007 AL LINC	19520209 AL DALL		
4 JES898MN	JESSE ELLIS	18981213 MN RICE	19380327 CA SABR	MT VIEW	CA SABR
m.	HAMILTON, OCTA MAE	19010913 TX	19730711 CA SABR	19250125	CA SABR
8 LEW870MN	LEWIS A.	18700717 MN FREE	19060223 MN MOWEOAKWOOD		MN MOWE
m.	HUMMEL, EMMA SOPHIA	18760920 MN RICE	19311226 MN RICE	18960603	MN RICE
16 ALO842NY	ALONZO	18420101 NY CLIN	19140328 WA THUR	IOOF	WA
m.	REDIKER, ELLEN	1840 QUEBEC	18630504 NY CLIN		
32 LEW814VT	LEWIS	18140911 VT ADDI			
m.	COOLIDGE, CAROLINE				
64 ASH770VT02	ASHLEY OWEN	17700222 VT FRAN	18470314 NY CLIN	ZION METHODIST	NY CLIN
m.	2 BAKER, ELIZABETH	17831125 VT CHIT	18570617 NY CLIN	18001017	VT FRAN
128BEN716CT02	BENEDICT	17160829 CT HART	17730430		1
m.	2 OWEN, REBECCA	17361128 CT HART	1831CA OH GEAU	17611218	CT HART
256 BEN688CT	BENEDICT	16880427 CT HART	17640215 CT HART		1
m.	WILSON, ABIGAIL	16840303 CT HART	17730430 CT HART	17140114	CT HART
512 JER655CT	JEREMIAH	16551224 CT HART	17090606 CT HART		3
m.	HOSKINS, JANE	16710403 CT HART	17150519	16710403	CT HART
1024 BEN619EN	BENEDICT	1619CA ENGLAND	16830423 CT HART		1
m.	NEWTON, JANE/JOANNA	1622CA ENGLAND	16401126 CT HART		

(see Early Alford Ancestors of Thomas Alford 1585 following the new lineages)

Membership # and New Member's Name

<i>Pedigree #/ Reference #</i>	<i>Alford: Name Spouse: Name</i>	<i>Birth Date & Place Birth Date & Place</i>	<i>Death Date & Place Death Date & Place</i>	<i>Burial Place (Alford) Marriage Date & Place</i>	<i>Foot Note</i>
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651 Cecil Dezmon Alford

1	CEC931MS m. ALEXANDER, MARIE	CECIL DEZMON 19310726 MS NESH				
2	WIL887MS m. COPELAND, LILLIE M.	WILLIAM LACE 18871206 MS NESH	18950830 MS NESH	19691112 MS LAUD	SANDTOWN CH. MS NESH	
4	BEN857MS02 m. COPELAND, REBECCA C.	BENJAMIN F. 185710 MS	186805 MS	1939 MS NESH	SANDSTONE MS NESH	
8	JOH816NC m. STEWART, NANCY	JOHN 1816CA NC	18281229 TN FRAN	18630812 MS	18861223 MS NESH	2

652 Marlene Barnett

A	cla791vt m. GAGE, RICHARD	CLARISSA 17910908 VT ADDI	17860723 VT ADDI	18650407 PA CRAW	MITCHELL PA CRAW	
B	OLI767VT m. PORTER, LOUINA	OLIVER 17671101 VT		18700325 PA CRAW	18070611 VT ADDI	
C	BEN716CT02 m. 2 OWEN, REBECCA	BENEDICT 17160829 CT HART	17361128 CT HART	17730430 1831CA	OH GEAU 17611218	CT HART 1
D	BEN688CT m. WILSON, ABIGAIL	BENEDICT 16880427 CT HART	16840303 CT HART	17730430 CT HART	17140114 CT HART	1
E	JER655CT m. HOSKINS, JANE	JEREMIAH 16551224 CT HART	16710403 CT HART	17090606 CT HART	17150519 16710403	CT HART 3
F	BEN619EN m. NEWTON, JANE/JOANNA	BENEDICT 1619CA ENGLAND	1622CA ENGLAND	16830423 CT HART	16401126 CT HART	1

(see Early Alford Ancestors of Thomas Alford 1585 following the new lineages)

653 Kay Ann Feiden

13	ade843oh m. BROOKS, LEONIDAS C.	ADELINE HUMPHREYS 18431121 OH FAIR	18410228 OH HOCK	19190819 OH FAIR	W RUSHVIL 18711012	OH FAIR OH
26	ROB815PA m. KILGORE, ANN JAMIMA	ROBERT PERRY 18150624 PA MIFF	18211215 MD CECI	18850301 OH FAIR		OH FAIR
52	FIE787VA m. HEMPHILL, MARY	FIELDING 17870323 VA GILE	1787CA IRELAND	18540219 OH FAIR	RUSHVILLE 18140913	OH FAIR PA MIFF 3

Early Alford Ancestors of JACOB ALFORD 1761 NC Branch

JAC761NC02	JACOB	17610815 NC BUTE	18240716 LA WASH		LA WASH 3
	m. 1 BRYANT, ELIZABETH	17650620	1789-92?	NC CUM?	1784CA NC FRA?
	m. 2 SEABORN, FRANCES	17660929 VA SU??	1850-60	LA WASH 1792CA	NC CUM?
JUL717VA	JULIUS	17170904 VA NEWK	177111	NC BUTE	
	m. NEWTON?, LUCY			1745EEE	NC ????
JAM687VA	JAMES	1687CA VA ????		VA	1
JOH645VA	JOHN	1645E	17100314	VA NEWK	3

Early Alford Ancestors of JULIUS ALFORD 1747 NC Branch

JUL747NC	JULIUS C.	1747CA NC	18200825	GA GREE	GA GREE? 3
	m. JACKSON, REBECCA	1748CA NC	1825>	GA GREE 1773CA	NC ????
LOD710VA03	LODWICK	1710CA VA NEWK	1787	GA	2
	m. 3 _____				
JAM687VA	JAMES	1687CA VA ????		VA	1
JOH645VA	JOHN	1645E	17100314	VA NEWK	3

Membership # and New Member's Name

<i>Pedigree #/</i>	<i>Alford: Name</i>	<i>Birth Date & Place</i>	<i>Death Date & Place</i>	<i>Burial Place (Alford)</i>	<i>Foot</i>
<i>Reference #</i>	<i>Spouse: Name</i>	<i>Birth Date & Place</i>	<i>Death Date & Place</i>	<i>Marriage Date & Place</i>	<i>Note</i>

Early Alford Ancestors of THOMAS ALFORD 1585 ENGLAND Branch

THO585EN	THOMAS	1575-85C ENGLAND	1636<	ENGLAND	1
	m. 2 HAWKINS, JOANNA	1594CA ENGLAND	16360527	ENGLAND 16180511	ENGLAND
WIL548EN	WILLIAM OR JOHN	1548CA ENGLAND			
ALE520EN	ALEXANDER	1520CA ENGLAND	157612=<	ENGLAND	1
	m. _____, AGNES	ENGLAND			
JOH475EN	JOHN	1475CA ENGLAND		ENGLAND	

FOOTNOTES FOR NEW LINEAGES

- 1 - See AAFA ACTION Vol. VI No. 3, Winter 1994, pages 9-10
- 2 - See AAFA ACTION Vol. VI No. 4, Spring 1994, pages 9-12
- 3 - See comments in this issue.

ALE627EN

See AAFA ACTION, Fall 1993, Vol. VI No. 2, p. 43

ALO842NY

“ALONZO ALFORD, only son of LEWIS ALFORD, son of deceased now nearly 8 yrs. old, res. in Peru; ASHLEY BURT, 22 yrs. old same place, the son of Daniel and Hannah Burt; MELINDA BURT, of Rossie, St. Lawrence Co., now 19 yrs. old, a daughter of Hannah Burt. (Rest of names as above) (Hannah Burt, probable daughter of ASHLEY O. ALFORD by first wife, Hannah)” The above is a paragraph on a page containing notes on the estate of ASHLEY OWEN ALFORD. The data on the spouse is from Jeanette Alford Lee AAFA #650, a descendant, who sent pages from “History of Freeborn [MN] County” which says he married Miss Helen Richards, a lady of Candadian birth. She reportedly died in 1878 “leaving a family of seven children.”

ASH770VT02

Some accounts show a third wife, Elizabeth Green. There was considerable effort to prove this third wife but all evidence supports the theory that there were only two wives. The marriage to Betsey Baker is recorded in the Vermont Vital records, there was no Green family living in the area at that time, his Bible gives the birthdates of the first two wives, but makes no mention of a third, his will dated March 7 1847 specifies that his residual estate shall be distributed among his children “of whom said Elizabeth is their mother”, naming all of his children from Ruel to Wesley, except where they have died, naming his grandchildren. Some think Betsey Baker may have married a Green after Ashley’s death, but if that were the case—why was she buried next to him with the inscription, “Wife of A.O. Alford”?

Conflicting reports on his place of birth, Franklin Co. VT or Addison Co. VT. (5/94)

BEN854NC

Full name appears to be John William Henry James Ansel Benjamin Axum Alford. The Bible of his daughter-in-law, Ida Chance Alford, showed his name to be Bennett—probably instead of Benjamin. The name appears to be Bennet in the census of 1860 and 1870 but appears as Benjamin in 1880, 1900 and 1910. The wife’s name was also

shown as “Cosey Boyt.” (5/94)

EDW792NC

See article in AAFA ACTION, March 1991, p. 55. Was he born Nov 12 or Nov 25? (5/94)

eli720va

One source says they were married 1720 in VA. First child was born ca 1743 suggesting marriage about 1740. Several sources show Samuel Gregg born 1699 in Scotland and died in 1803. His will was written April 7, 1803 and probated February 13 1804. Did he really live to be over 100 before he died? He is said to have emigrated to the US (Philadelphia) in 1711 at age 12. He settled in Bucks Co. PA and lived there nine years until age 21 (1720) and moved to Loudon Co. VA where he married Elizabeth ca 1720. This comes from a published account (see sources). What did they do from 1720 until 1743? All of their children are reported to have married other GREGG children. What proof have we for this? See sources for names of persons who have inquired about ELIZABETH ALFORD GREGG. All children (listed below) apparently born in or near Loudon Co. VA.

- Thomas b. 1743 m. Amy Gregg in PA, d. 1821
- Priscilla b. 1745 m. Amos Gregg in KY, d. 1814
- John b. 1747 m. Sarah Gregg in OH, d. 1799

Rebecca b. 1749 m. William Gregg in VA, d. ____
 Ruth b. 1752 m. George Gregg
 Israel b. Mar 2, 1754 m. Mary Gregg 1773 in VA, d. 1801
 Ann (Nancy) b. 1756 m. Richard Gregg in PA, d. 1817
 Samuel b. April 18, 1758
 Aaron b. June 17, 1761 d. 1803 Ft. Adams, Woodville MS
 Elizabeth b. April 15 1763 m. Valentine Nichols in PA

After the death of Elizabeth Alford Gregg, Samuel married Esther Dixon Tobin, widow of James Tobin.

Are there any explanations for children marrying so far from home?

There seem to be several inconsistencies here that should be investigated. (5/94)

FIE787VA

Fielding entered the War of 1812 as a private in Capt. Matthew Rogers' Co. of Pa. Militia. In August of 1813 he responded to a call from O.H. Perry, Commodore of the Fleet on Lake Erie. He served on Perry's ship, the LAWRENCE. Fielding's first son, ROBERT PERRY ALFORD was named for Commodore Perry.

"I just had the opportunity to spend one day in Ohio and I came back with the tombstone inscription for my FIELDING ALFORD. (Cemetery records for the old graves were lost long ago, according to those in charge.) FIELDING ALFORD d. Feb. 19, 1854 66 yrs. 10 mos. 27 days. According to my calculations that would put his date of birth on March 23, 1787. . ." (Kay Ann Feiden 2/10/1985)

According to marriage list purchased from *Hunting for Bears*, a FIELDING ALFORD married Sarah BARKER June 23, 1809 in Fayette County, Kentucky.

WILL OF FIELDING ALFORD

In the name of Benevolent Father of all I Fielding Alford of the County of Fairfield and State of Ohio do make and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1st I give and devise to my beloved wife in (living) her dower the farm on which my son Robert P. Alford now resides situate in Richland Township in Fairfield County, Ohio, containing about fifty acres during her natural life and all the stock, household goods, furniture provisions and other goods and chattles which may be thereon at the time of my decease during her natural life as above said. She however selling so much thereof as may be sufficient to pay my just debts.

At the death of my said wife the real estate aforesaid and such part of the said personal property or the proceeds thereof as may then remain unconsumed and _____ I give and devise to my children now living to wit: my sons Robert Alford, Henry Alford, my daughters Jane _____ Margaret Murphey and Sarah Ann (Albright) to be equally divided between the above named children.

Item 2nd I also give and bequeth to my wife lot number 18 in the Town of West Rushville during her natural life and at her demise I give and bequeath to my five children to be equally divided between them

I do hereby revoke all former wills by me made. In testamony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of November in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Signed and acknowledged by said Fielding Alford as his last will and testament Fielding Alford seal in our presence and signed by us in his presence.

*[illegible] Hutchinson
 David [illegible]*

In the name of the Benevolent Father of all I mary Alford of Fairfield County State of Ohio do make and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1st I give and devise to my beloved daughter Margaret Murphey all my (notes)? and (account)? [illegible] [illegible].

I do hereby break all former wills by me and made in testimoney hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27 day of April A.D. 1865.

Signed and acknowledged by said Mary Alford as her last will and testament in our presence and signed by us in her presence.

[illegible] Mary Alford mark & seal

A FIELDING ALFORD was identified as a child of JOHN ALFORD and his first (of 3) wives, Miss Hayes. This Fielding was supposed to have been born in 1786 and his sister, ELIZABETH ALFORD, in 1788. (From the Alford sketch prepared by Jewell A. Gallagher and a number of associates)

FIELDING OLFORD came into court and made choice of Andrew Hamilton as his guardian whereupon he together with Arthur Kennedy, his security entered bond for 60 pounds. —6 Dec 1802. Book 3 page 157 Madison County, KY Court Order Book (Ruth Moran 1/8/84)

Andrew Hamilton, who was named as guardian of FIELDING ALFORD, was a grandson of old William Hamilton. I can find marriages for Fielding, Elizabeth and Catherine Alford, children of JOHN ALFORD of Madison County. (Ruth Moran 9/17/85)

“. . . but it looks to me that definitely FIELDING ALFORD is the son of

JOHN ALFORD who died in Madison County in 1802. That considering that he came into court and named his guardian means that he is 14 or over and not yet 21 so he was born between 1781 and 1788, that since JOHN ALFORD and Nancy Allumbaugh/Alembaugh were married in 179? that he is the stepson of Nancy and perhaps his mother was a Miss Hayes who married a JOHN ALFORD in Virginia, but not the John Alford in Wythe and Montgomery County; I find him on the Wythe county, Virginia tax rolls along with his son JOHN ALFORD, Jr. as late as 1829.” (Ruth Moran 1/8/1984)

“ . . . , I think of much more interest is the item from the *KENTUCKY GAZETTE*, 1801-1802 by Mrs. Green about the fact that SARAH ALFRED had left FIELDING ALFRED. While I still do not believe that there is a FIELDING ALFORD who is the son of my JOHN ALFORD (John son of THOMAS of Montgomery and Wythe County, Virginia), I still search for everything that I can find on him in order to prove or disprove my theory.” (Ruth Moran 7/16/85)

“About FIELDING ALFORD. There seem to have been three FIELDING ALFORDS all the same age; two of them are sons of a JOHN ALFORD. Now come on folks—three Fielding Alford?!

#1. One is supposed to be the son of JOHN ALFORD of Wythe County and his first wife.

#2. We find in Madison County, Kentucky, the son of JOHN ALFORD and his first wife. JOHN ALFORD married (2nd) Nancy Allembaugh daughter of Peter Allembaugh. This FIELDING ALFORD married Sarah BARKER and printed in the *KENTUCKY GAZETTE* ‘Tuesday 15 September 1809 —Fielding Alford of Lexington says his wife Sarah left him and he won’t pay her bills’.

#3. And we have the third FIELDING ALFORD who enlisted in Mifflin County, PA, in the War of 1812, later married and moved to Ohio.

My analysis of this is that FIELDING 2 and 3 are the same person and that number one did not exist, but was mistakenly added to the children of John of Wythe County because he was Fielding Alford son of John. Also Fielding Alford had a sister or half sister named Elizabeth. (Fielding Alford #2). Fielding Alford and Elizabeth Alford are supposed to also be children of John of Wythe County.

Now about FIELDING ALFORD No. 1. JOHN ALFORD as indicated by the tax rolls of Montgomery County, VA., show that JOHN ALFORD was the son of THOMAS ALFORD and born either 1767 or 1768; he married Eleanor Hogue 26 October 1889 [his second wife]. That’s some activity to get married, have two children, and have your wife die; and marry again before you are 22 years old. Possible but not probable.” (Ruth Moran 9/21/93)

FIELDING ALFRED was in 1830 census of Fairfield Co. Ohio, PHELDING ALFRED was there in 1840 and FIELDING ALFORD was there in 1850. (5/94)

ISA748NC

Isaac Alford, son of Julius Alford married Mary Alford, daughter of Lodwick Alford brother of Julius Alford. Estate and court records prove that Mary Alford, daughter of Lodwick, married Isaac Alford. (5/94)

JAC761NC 01 or 02

Jacob was identified in his father’s will, in census and land records in Cumberland and Franklin Counties, NC; in land and tax records in Montgomery County, GA; and in early 1800 land and census records in Louisiana. The dates of birth and death are from a

very old Bible record that was provided by Bill Polk AAFA #564. Peggy Wood AAFA #593 shows Jacob’s death as July 16, 1825. What was her source? There is no proof that the spouse was born in Virginia but there was a Seaborn family there at the right time with a daughter named Frances. More research is required. (6/94)

JAC834LA0B

This has been revised since published in *AAFA ACTION*, Winter 1994, p. 9. See comments enclosed in (** **) See also “Jacob Lawhorn Alford”, *AAFA ACTION*, September 1992, p. 54. Both gravestone of Jacob Lauhon Jr. and a legal document prove this spelling of the name. The spouse was identified as Sarah Smith in her marriage certificate, a copy of which is on file with the AAFA but she liked the name Samantha and on her death certificate she is listed as Samantha A. Alford. Bill Polk (AAFA #564) identified her as Sarah Ann Smith but wrote: “. . . [she liked the name Samantha and used it, that is why it is Samantha on the death cert. per my mother who knew her when she (my mother) was a girl]. . .”. A copy of her death certificate is also on file with the AAFA. (** The Clerihews say this is a definite mistake. [A death certificate can be very unreliable for anything other than death information.] **)

Jacob is sometimes shown as born in Sabine Parish. Actually he was born in Natchitoches Parish in that portion that was to become Sabine in 1843. (2/94 Rev 5/94)

JAM817GA

Sarah, or Sallie, was the daughter of Edward and Sarah Ellis. (5/94)

JAM890TN

Most of the data for this record came from ROBERT BURNS ALFORD. James Burns was a poet, song writer and ordained Baptist minister. He was employed by Railway Express. (5/94)

JEP862LA0A or 0B

He, his two wives, and two infants plus a couple other folks are buried in a small cemetery on his old home place. See *AAFA ACTION* March 1993, p. 37-40 for an more information on Jep and his children. (5/94)

JER655CT

C.E. Alford traces Jane's ancestry back to William the Conquerer and to a Mayflower Planter. (5/94)

JOH645VA

We are lacking proof that this John was the father of James but most seem to accept the theory as most probable. He was at the right place at the right time. Events recorded in the St. Peter's Parish Church records about the sons of James, who would have been John's grandchildren, suggest that they lived on land which was deeded to John Alford in 1682. Boddie in *Historical Southern Families* writes that this John is the father of those shown in this genealogy. His death was recorded in the St. Peter's Parish Register.

"JOHN ALFORD, Wm Stone & Wm. Millington, 410 acs., New Kent Co., S. side Yorke Riv., 20 Apr. 1682, p. 131. Beg. Col Hammon, in the slashes of Coskockahick; to Mr. Napier, below the mountaines, in sight of Wm. Peslie's plantation; &c...." Patent Book No. 7 as published in Nell Marion Nugent's *Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, Volume Two: 1666-1695*, 1977 Richmond, p. 230.

"JOHN ALFORD & William Millington, 350 acs., New Kent Co., S. side of York River, 22 Sept. 1682, p. 177. Being the remainder of land patented by Col. Hammond, joing to sd. Hammond's land called Fort Royall; beg. at Mr. Napier's corner; along Mr. Walter Huckstep; by the Deep Br; &c..." Patent Book No. 7 as cited above, p. 241.

"JOHN ALFORD & Gregory Barnet (Barnett), 150 acs.; New Kent Co., on S. side of York River and is reputed Coll. Hammonds land call'd by the name of Nantacooke Necke'; 22 Sept. 1682, p. 179. Beg. at sd. Hammond's by Nantacooke Cr., to the forke of same where it meets with Stone's Sw., &c.

Note that in a period of less than six months JOHN ALFORD has become owner, or part owner, of 910 acres on the south side of York River. At least 150 acres is gone by 1705 as per the following:

"William Major, 150 acs., New Kent Co., S. side of York Riv; & is reputed Col. Hamond's land called Nantecock Neck; 2 May 1705, p. 664. Beg. at Nantecock Cr., to the fork where it meeteth with Stone's Sw; cor. of JOHN ALFORD & Gregory Barnett. Granted sd. Alford & Barnett, 22 Sept. 1682, DESERTED, & now granted by order, &c..." Patent Book No. 9 as published in Nell Marion Nugent's *Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, Volume Three: 1695-1732*, 1979, Richmond, p. 95.

There is no evidence that anything happened to the other acreage—before or after his death in 1710. (6/94)

JOH828PA

Mary was the daughter of Deacon Corator and Hearsy (Kingsley) Blakeslee. (5/94)

JUL747NC

Julius is supposed to be the son of Lodwick Alford, based on a 1771 tax list. Family tradition suggests that his mother was Rebecca Ferrell; however, nothing has been found to prove that Lodwick ever had a wife of such name. Jim Alford, of Houston, concludes he was probably born in 1750, second quarter, rather than 1747. The following are his reasons:

(1) He did not appear as a taxable on the 1766 tax list. Jim says he expects there was a "gentleman's agreement" that sons turning 16 in a year wouldn't be taxed until the following year. It could have been on a "when the tax assessor visited basis", too.

(2) He did appear with Lodwick Alford Sr. and Warren as taxabales on the 1771 tax list. Now he is definitely old enough but still young enough to be living at home.

(3) He witnessed a deed with Lodwick in May, 1771. Our legal researcher says that he had to be 21 to witness a deed. The difference between 1766 and 1771 is five years, the same as the difference between age 16 and age 21. (5/94)

JUL799GA01

Elizabeth was the daughter of Englishman Colonel George Cook and Jane Ashley. Another record says he was buried in Salem, Bullock Co. (5/94)

jul824ga

There has been much confusion surrounding the Cox - Alford connection. From a study of Troup County, Georgia, probate records, Jim Alford of Houston learned that this Albert E. Cox, husband of Juliet Warren Alford, was the son of Margaret Ewing Cox Alford, the second wife of Erasmus C. Alford, a younger brother of Juliet's father. Now that clears it up—doesn't it? (5/94)

LOD775NC

Some accounts show this Lodwick to have been born in Wake County, NC. While it is almost certain he was born in North Carolina, it is thought that Franklin might be a more likely county. Judith is shown as Caroline Judith Jackson by some. Some records have been seen which show her death as 30 April 1854 but the grave stone supposedly says 30 June 1844. Judith

was the daughter of Reuben Jackson. (5/94)

LOU862LA01

Sarah died in child birth—probably with daughter Ethel. (5/94)

mar760nc

Mary Alford, daughter of Lodwick Alford married Isaac Alford, son of Julius Alford, brother of Lodwick.

MIC770IR

Michael and Martha McCready came to American either with the McCreadys and Padens or at about the same time. John, their eldest child, was born during the voyage. On a chart furnished by Mr. Floyd Alford, a descendant, the year of his birth is given as 1791, but Mrs. Arwood T. Eckles, also an Alford descendant, shows it on her chart as 1790, and this would seem to be borne out by his age as given to census enumerators. In 1850 he gave it as 59 (perhaps before his birthday that year); in 1860, as 70; and in 1870, as 80. Died 2 June 1877.

By deed dated November 27, 1798, recorded March 26, 1801 (Deed Bk. 10, p. 216, Records of Allegheny Co.), "between Mical Aulford of the County of Allegheny and Ephream Yong" of the same county, Michael sold the 400 acre tract on which the family were then living, described as "lying and being on the Waters of Little Beaver Creek," which adjoined lands of John McCready on the north and Robert Wyley on the east. In 1798 this area was in Allegheny County as Beaver had not yet been formed.

Michael must have died the latter part of 1799 or the very early part of 1800. Mrs. Eckles gave the year of birth of the son Thomas, her ancestor, as 1800, but the census that year listed Martha as the head of the household, living between her brother William McCready and John Sharp, who married her niece. On a tax list dated

March 20, 1802, by John Sharp, Tax Assessor, she was still listed as the head of the household, or owner of the property, and Michael's name does not appear.

She evidently married James Quickley very soon after this, however, for the 1810 census shows them as living in Big Beaver Township . . . [*THE MCCREADY CLAN* by Mrs. P.M. (Marie) McConnell.] (5/94)

nan817tn02

Nancy was earlier married to George W. Burgess and later married George H. Moxley. (2/94)

NEE789NC

This repeats information published in the footnotes in *AAFA ACTION*, Winter 1994 and provides an informative addition supplied by Bill Polk. [See added at the bottom of the original article.]

Elmer A. Alford AAFA #608 is a descendant of Needham. He says that Needham is buried in Groesbeck, TX near Waco. That would probably be Horn Hill Cemetery which is in Groesbeck, Limestone Co., TX. A family group record from Mrs. Bowman (deceased) cited "Horton Hill" but such a cemetery cannot be found in Limestone Co. Elmer says Martha is buried there also and has a different date for her death—November 7, 1869—which apparently came from the headstone in the cemetery. In the 1860 Limestone County census Needham was enumerated as a Methodist Clergyman. In this census the household included Serena and Nova Mains who were probably his kin through his sister Lucy Alford who married William Maines. Martha was the daughter of John and Sarah Waddell. Another source shows Martha Waddell was born March 25, 1794 and that she died in Tangipahoa Parish, LA. One source shows her birth as 1789 instead of 1796 or 1794.

Census data would make her birth anytime between 1795 and 1799. The Clerihews, AAFA #592, have May 15, 1798 but are not sure of source. Elmer says this is the date on the headstone at the cemetery (per a deceased cousin). Some of her children were supposed to have been born in Sabine Parish so it seems unlikely that she would have been back in Tangipahoa Parish at the time of her death. If we go by the data reported to Elmer to be on the headstones, which some members report don't exist, our data would be: Needham 12 July 1779 NC–19 Sept 1869, Martha 15 May 1789 SC–7 Nov 1869. The birth date on Needham is ten years too early it seems. If the data on his father, Jacob, is correct then he would have been only 18 when Needham was born. All other data suggests a date about ten years later.

If anyone has proven information on any of the above data they should report it to the AAFA. We do need to settle on the correct data for both of these ancestors. (11/93)

ADDED 6/94

From a letter from Bill Polk AAFA #564

In the Winter 1994 issue of *AAFA ACTION*, Footnotes For New Lineages, there was a question raised about the deaths of Needham Alford and his wife Martha (Waddill) Alford of Limestone Co., TX. Some of the descendants of these two have been hunting for their burial plots for quite some time and we have yet to find the cemetery. There was a Horton Hill Cemetery, but it is long abandoned. Noel Alford was buried there in 1915 and was the last burial so far as is known at this time. The cemetery goes way back to the mid 1840s when John D. Smith, the father of Jacob Alford's wife, Sarah Smith, was buried there. It was then called Smith's Point. Later, some of us believe, the name was changed to the Alford Cemetery because some of the Alfords began to

be buried there, including Needham and Martha (so I believe). The Smith homestead northwest of Groesbeck, Texas, was sold to the Horton family and thus became the Horton place. It was near Horton Hill (an actual hill). The cemetery name evolved to be called Horton Hill. I found a deed to the cemetery in the Limestone County records last year which called it the "John D. Smith Graveyard," and two of the trustees for the one acre plot were Noel Alford and Jacob Alford. Putting it all together, it seems reasonable that Needham and Martha were buried there. However, we need to find it, which we will. A descendant of Noel Alford in Groesbeck, TX, went to his funeral when she was a girl. She states that there were no tombstones on any graves except those of Noel and his wife. However, that was long ago and someone else could have put up tombstones. When we find this cemetery, a report will be made to AAFA. (6/94)

PHI926CA

Philip served in U.S. Airforce as pilot from 1945–1966 and worked for the U. S. Postal Service. He resided and/or saw duty in California, Oregon, Texas, Alabama, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Korea, Philippines, and France. (5/94)

RIC818GA

Did he die in Burleson Co. TX or Madison Co. MS? (5/94)

ROB891LA

Robert must have had a lot of interest in family history or legend. See some of his remarks in the comments pertaining to his father.

AAFA provided Diane Alford Garlick AAFA# 632 census information showing that Robert's father, Louis, has a brother named Jacob Alford. Diane wrote: "I believe your Jacob and our Henry are related, because our family named a lot of children Jacob.

My Grandpa Robert Dewit Alford said Louis's brother Jacob was killed by an Indian in 1901. We don't know what the tiff was about, but the story goes: Uncle Jacob was loading corn to take to the grist mill, and he heard a gobble like a turkey does, and he got a glimpse of an Indian up in a tree watching him. He calmly went back in the house got his gun, and went out the back door, and crept around the woods, and got behind the Indian and shot him dead. Later the Indian's father and brother killed Uncle Jacob."

She had another story about Louis' brother John: "He was a night watchman in a pipe yard, he was having an affair with some guy's wife, and she would meet John in his tent at the pipe yard. One night the woman's husband came after them with an ax and Uncle John thought to scare him off and shot over his head but the shot hit the pipe and glanced off the pipe and hit the man and killed him. Uncle John died in La. State Pen." (5/94)

THO653CT

See *AAFA ACTION*, Winter 1994, p. 49 There are conflicting reports on state of birth, CT or MA? His next younger sibling was born in Connecticut and his next older sibling was born in Massachusetts. The place used in this report is as shown in the 1908 published genealogy. (5/94)

THO800PA

Rebecca was the daughter of John and Rebecca (Shearer) McMillen. (5/94)

WIL823MS

It is probable that his full name was William Henry Harrison Alford.

In his "In Search of My Alford Ancestors", written over 20 years ago, Hugh Edwin Alford wrote of William Harrison Alford: "migrated

to Texas, no further record." In his 1978 update to "Source Records of Pike County, Mississippi 1798-1910", calling him William Harmon Alford, E. Russ Williams wrote: "moved to Texas; lived at Matagorda at one time."

The 1850 Mategorda County, Texas census listed William H. Alford age 25 born in Mississippi as a Waggoner. In his household was a Mary Alford 17 born England.

In her application for AAFA membership Mavis Diane Alford Garlick #632 listed as her 2nd great grandfather Henry Alford, a freighter, born about 1820 in Mississippi [with a question mark by Pike Co.]. In an earlier letter she wrote: "I haven't answered you yet because I have been trying to find out my Great Great Grandfather's first name."

After the probable connection was suggested Mavis wrote: ". . . I think its possible that Harrison Alford's full name was, William Henry Harrison Alford after the President. He was from Mississippi. Old Desota [Louisiana] was destroyed April 9 1864 during the Civil War, so at first they called Pleasant Hill New Desota, but the name held too many bad memories, so they changed it to Pleasant Hill. [A note on the 1870 census said 'may be Pleasant Hill in Desota Parish'.] The old Henry Alford homestead was used as a hospital during the Civil War. All that remains is the old cistern now—the house has been moved into Pleasant Hill, but when my Dad was a boy my aunt Ethel lived there. There was a cannon ball hole through one wall. They never even told Dad that Henry homesteaded there, but it's in the homestead records. Didn't know he was blind [as cited in 1870 as blind]. Here is my theory about Mary McDonal from England?. When I was a young girl my Grandpa Robert Dewit Alford and I were

sitting on his porch in Provencal, LA, and he said, 'I am going to tell you something because I feel you should know, but don't tell anybody about this: your Great Great Grandma was a Choctaw Indian.'... His son Douglas also married an Indian. My Aunt Coleen is Cherokee. Anyway back to Mary McDonal—as you know the Choctaw are from Mississippi. You notice Mary used the last name of Alford two years before she was married to Harrison Alford, also they seemed to lie about their ages at first, and first he is William then he is Harrison, but he is from Mississippi. I don't know where the name McDonal came from, perhaps her mother, but the Mary that Louis Charles called Ma Ma, the grandchildren and great-grandchildren all called her Little Granny Birdwell. However, they didn't pronounce the "w" so it sounded like Birdell. Perhaps there is a Mary Birdwell in the 1840 Mississippi Census, but they didn't count Indians. I am sure that Harrison is Henry because we know he drove freight wagons and was from Mississippi. I think Edwin Barksdale's son fell in love with a little Indian girl and didn't dare tell his family, so Mary and William Henry Harrison Alford left Mississippi on a freight wagon with Valdum and Christina McPhiefer [Germans who were enumerated with him in 1850 Texas, Valdun also being a waggoner] and went to Matagorda, Texas. I didn't know Mary's first name until now, because my father only knew her as Little Granny Birdwell. She lived with Louis and Lizzie. Maybe her mother came from England, but I think she came from Mississippi with Henry. [Remember that William Henry Harrison had several uncles, an aunt and a number of cousins in the nearby Sabine Parish area.] (5/94)

WIL861PA

He was living in Anderson, IN in 1914. He was a teacher. (5/94) ❖

Collecting "Alford" Photos

By Jack Kinabrew, Photo Archivist

The AAFA Photography Committee collects, preserves, and catalogs photographs of "Alfords" (people) and of interest to "Alfords" (buildings, monuments, gravestones, signs, artifacts, etc.). As usual, AAFA is interested in Alfords and all spelling variations.

The second annual photographic awards will held at the Richmond meeting, October 7–9, 1994. Attendees and non-attendees are invited to participate by submitting photos that AAFA can keep for our files.

A prize will be awarded to the best entry in each category. The winners will be selected by the members of the Photography Committee, whose judgement will be final. A special award will be made to the person submitting the most entries.

Pictures will be displayed in the AAFA meeting room. Winners will be announced Saturday evening. If possible, winning entries will be published in *AAFA ACTION*.

AWARD CATEGORIES

1. Portrait (one person) of an "Alford" born before 1930.
2. Portrait (one person) of an "Alford" born during or after 1930.
3. Group photo (2 or more people) which includes an "Alford" born before 1930.
4. Group photo (2 or more people) which includes "Alford" born during or after 1930.
5. Scene of "Alford" interest.

CONDITIONS

Entries for this year must be filed with the Photo Archivist in the AAFA meeting room at Richmond before

noon on Saturday, October 9. Or, they can be mailed to be received by October 6—send to:

Jack Kinabrew
6178 General Haig St.
New Orleans, LA 70124

Entries may be of any size and in color or black and white. Either original photographs, photographic copies, or half-tones are acceptable. Xeroxes and similar types of copies are not acceptable. (A half-tone is a kind of copy suitable for publication. They cost about \$10 for as many as you can fit on a standard page, can be made by art shops, etc., and do not harm the original.)

DO NOT WRITE ON THE FACE OR BACK OF THE PHOTOGRAPH.

Do not use any kind of adhesive to attach information to the back of the photograph. No adhesive tape of any kind should be used. If the photographs are mounted on album pages or other backing, PLEASE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REMOVE THEM. This is a job for experts; amateurs will likely do more harm than good. Just cut out the mounted photograph and submit it as is, or have a photographic copy made and submit it.

Each entry must be accompanied by a sheet showing the following information:

1. Name and address of the person submitting the entry.
2. Names(s) of Alfords and any other persons depicted, and relationships.
3. Description of scene or location where picture was made, or occasion for picture.
4. Date picture was taken. (May be approximate.)

All entries shall become the property of the Alford American Family Association, to be preserved in AAFA files for the use of its members in their research. ❖

Alfords in the News

JULIUS ALFORD AAFA #13

McCOMB ENTERPRISE-JOURNAL
McComb, MS—27 February 1994

Alford, Dunagin Crowned

Julius "Pooley" Alford and Virgie Sorrels Dunagin were crowned king and queen Saturday night at the McComb Junior Auxiliary's 32nd Azalea Ball, held at the National Guard Armory in McComb. They succeed King Jimmy D. Clark and Queen Flo Boyd.

Alford is the son of some of McComb's earliest settlers and has actively worked through the years not only to better the area, but to preserve and restore some of its history.

Born Nov. 20, 1925, in McComb,

he graduated from McComb public schools in 1943 and was selected for the Navy V-12 college training program. He is a veteran of World War II and attended Mississippi College, Tulane University and midshipman school at Harvard University, where he was commissioned an ensign in the Naval Reserve's supply corps. He served overseas in Hawaii after being commissioned and later served many years in the Naval Reserve Training Unit in McComb, finally retiring as a lieutenant.

He returned to Tulane after the war and received bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration. At Tulane, he was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity and Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary business fraternity.

After college, Alford resided in Jackson and worked as an industrial

representative for the Mississippi Agricultural and Industrial Board, traveling throughout the country contacting industrial prospects for the state. During this time, he served as president of the Jackson Tulane Alumni Club and as chairman of the 1955 Tulane-Jackson Conference of Business Leaders.

Alford later was executive director of the Greenwood-Leflore Industrial Board for 18 months, during which time he secured three large industries still in operation in Greenwood.

In 1960, Alford returned to McComb and worked as a real estate salesman for a local firm before opening his own firm in 1966. He has been in the real estate and appraisal business in McComb for over 33 years, during which time he has been a member and past president of the Southwest Mississippi Board of Realtors and both the Mississippi and national board of realtors. In 1988 the Southwest Board of Realtors honored him for 25 years of real estate contributions to the area.

Alford is a member of the Appraisal Institute and has held the senior residential appraiser designation for over 30 years.

During his years in real estate in McComb, he has developed and owns a large number of commercial properties.

He is a member of the Mississippi Economic Council and in 1993 was appointed to the Mississippi Private Industry Council by Gov. Kirk Fordice.

Julius, King of the 1994 Jr. Auxiliary Azalea Ball of McComb, MS, and his brothers, L to R: John Warren Alford, Jacob Egloff Alford, James Louis Alford, and Julius Mosby "Pooley" Alford.

Sign at a local bank for a week after the Azalea Ball. AAFA #245 James Louis Alford, Jr. is Chairman of the Board of Pike County National Bank. [James' daughter is the subject of the next article.]

Alford is a long-time member of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce and is a member of Pike Forward. He currently serves on the positive images campaign of the chamber's Vision 2000 and is the leader of its retirees attraction team. He is a contributor to and member of the Pike County Industrial Development Foundation.

He has been actively involved in other areas of the community, serving on the board of directors of the Pike County Literacy Council and as co-host of the American Cancer Society's dinner roast of Prescott A. Sherman. He supports the Pike County Arts Council as a Golden Patron and is a supporter of the annual Southwest Mississippi Regional Hospital gala.

Among his hobbies are history and genealogy, and his efforts to preserve the history of the area include serving as county chairman for the Mississippi Department of Archives and History's "Save Our Sculptures" program in 1993. He also is co-chairman of the

State Theatre restoration committee [see "Jacob Alford's State Theater" in this issue].

He is on the board of directors of the McComb Downtown Development Association and is chairman of the sponsorship committee for the first Iron Horse Festival, which will be held this spring.

He is a member of the Mississippi Genealogical Society, the Mississippi Historical Society, and the Mississippi Council of the Humanities and the Mississippi Heritage Trust.

An active member of J.J. White Memorial Presbyterian Church, he is also a member of the KeenAgers of First Baptist Church of McComb. He is a member of the McComb 50-Plus Club, three bridge clubs and two dance clubs.

Since 1978 he has spent vacations as a dance host on major cruise lines touring all parts of the world....

ANNA ELIZABETH ALFORD

Sent by Julius Alford, AAFA #013

McCOMB ENTERPRISE-JOURNAL
McComb, MS— Wed., 23 Feb 1994

McWhite, Alford Get Dean's List Honors

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Some 265 students were named to the dean's list of distinguished students at Birmingham-Southern College for the 1993 fall term.

Area students named to the list were Kimberly Carole McWhite, daughter of Melvin Leon McWhite and Sandra Carole Smith McWhite of McComb and **Anna Elizabeth Alford**, daughter of James Louis Alford Jr. [AAFA #245] and Elizabeth W. Alford of McComb.

The dean's list consists of those students who have taken at least four classes during the term and maintained a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

JOHN T. ALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Thurs., 10 Feb 1994

Stewpot's cupboard now runneth over.

Less than three weeks after putting in an urgent appeal, Stewpot Community Services has an overwhelming supply of food for its pantry and three temporary homeless shelters, said director Gene Corbin.

"It's like Christmas all over again," said Faith Jones, director of the organization's medical clinic.

The holiday spirit on Wednesday also visited the Mississippi Food Network, which received an unexpected gift of 35,000 pounds of

produce, said executive director John T. Alford. ...

[See related article below dated 11 Dec 1991.]

MICHELLE LOGAN

Sent by Debbi Logan, AAFA #428
Mother of Michelle

THE PAINTSVILLE HERALD
Paintsville, KY—Wed., 12 Jan 1994

College Students Return Home to Make Film

For the first time since 1982, Johnson County will be featured in a motion picture.

Byrd McDonald, a 1990 graduate of Johnson Central High School, has returned to his hometown to make his first short film.

McDonald, the son of B.W. McDonald and Lena McDonald, is a senior film and television productions major who will graduate this spring from New York University.

Working locally with his former high school drama coach, Debbie Daniels, McDonald has selected many local sights in Johnson County and members of the Johnson Central Music Department and the Porter Elementary Speech and Drama Team to take part in his first movie. ...

Film students from Kentucky colleges and universities are also working with McDonald and his staff from New York on this monumental undertaking. ...

McDonald's company, "Bye Bye Byrdie" Productions, began filming on location last week, after many months of writing and revising the screenplay and countless hours of selecting actors, technicians, set crews, management teams and gathering film equipment from all across the country.

Filming will continue through this weekend.

The film focuses on a young girl coming of age and living in a single-parent home. **Michelle Logan**, a JCHS freshman and singer with the country/rock group Rebels Without A Cause, plays the young girl. Her mother, **Debbie Logan** [AAFA #428] is also a cast member. ...

Each student went through a rigorous audition before being selected, Daniels said. ...

McDonald's film will be entered in the New York University First Run Competition, which has been the start for many filmmakers, including Martin Scorsese, Spike Lee, Chris Columbus, Clint Eastwood and Jonathan Demme....

A world premier showing of McDonald's movie will be held later this year in Johnson County. ...

[Note: Michelle is the third great-grandchild of Martha N. Alford Stevenson and the fifth great-grandchild of the Rev. Needham J. Alford.]

NIXIE ALFORD ALBRITTON, AAFA #450

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

COPIAH COUNTY COURIER
Hazlehurst, MS—Wed., 8 Dec 1993

Nixie Allbritton [*sic*] of Hazlehurst received the surprise of her life on a recent visit to Branson, Mo., when she attended a show at the John Davidson Theatre.

As part of his show Davidson, a renown singer, selects a member of the audience and awards them the title of "My Fifth Grade Teacher."

Unbeknown to her, Allbritton was chosen for the honor and received a serenade and a kiss from the handsome Davidson in front of his large audience.

Mrs. Allbritton, accompanied by her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Chuck Thomas of Hattiesburg, toured the famous music town, taking in other shows, but none as thrilling to Allbritton as that at the Davidson Theatre.

[Nixie Albritton is the sister of the late Elizabeth Williams, AAFA #40.]

Nixie Alford Albritton being kissed by singer John Davidson in Branson, MO.

**DORIS ALFORD VETRI
AAFA #303**

SENIOR TIMES
Souderton, PA—November 1993

PHOTO AT RIGHT: Joe Zisk, supervisor of science and technology for the Souderton Area School District, is shown here helping Senior Adult Activity Center Members Sebastian and Doris Vetri of Telford, as they learn the basics of computer use....

JACK ALFORD

Sent by Richard Alford, AAFA #154

THE LEDGER
Lakeland, FL—Thurs., 11 Nov 1993

LAKELAND — Lakeland Fire Chief Jack Alford, who has held the top job in the city department since 1982, said Wednesday that he will retire at year's end.

Alford, 55, has been a city firefighter almost all his adult life.

When he steps down Dec. 31, he'll have been with the department for 32 years and eight months.

"You can't serve for 30 years and not say it's a big part of you," Alford said. "But I'm a little excited about that other part of life."

City officials will not look outside the Fire Department for Alford's successor....

The new chief will take control of a department with 119 full-

Jack Alford, Lakeland's fire chief, said he would retire at the year's end.

time employees and a \$5.4 million budget. His salary will be within the range already set by city pay guidelines—\$46,975 to \$69,051 a year.

If history holds, the new chief's tenure won't be brief.

Alford is only the fourth chief in the 78 year history of the Fire Department. His predecessor, Charles Deal, held the job for 28 years.

Whoever is chosen, will take over a department whose role has changed dramatically in recent years.

When Alford became a firefighter in April 1961, his entry to the job consisted largely of two weeks of mostly fire-related training and basic first aid.

Now firefighters spend far less time responding to fires than they do to medical calls, hazardous waste spills and other types of emergencies.

The firefighters under Alford's command must complete more than 600 hours of training, much of it medical related. All must be certified

emergency medical technicians.

Of the 10,081 calls the Fire Department received last year, about 1,800 involved fires. More than 8,000 were medical calls....

It is the political aspect of the chief's job that he disliked the most, Alford said.

As for his retirement, plans are sketchy, although Alford said, "I'm sure I'll find new challenges."

A definite priority is spending more time on the golf course.

"I haven't really had the chance to get out there and develop the skills I once had," he said. "I'm going to see if I can find them again."

MICHELLE LOGAN

Sent by Debbi Logan, AAFA #428
Mother of Michelle

THE PAINTSVILLE HERALD
Paintsville, KY—Wed., 27 Oct 1993

Johnson Central High School principal Thomas M. Swartz announces the honor roll for the first six weeks grading. The honorees are listed by grade and then in two sub-categories—4.0 honorees and 3.0–3.9 honorees.

Students named to the freshmen honor roll with 4.0 averages include ... **Michelle Logan**....

[See note regarding Michelle's ancestry in article above dated 12 Jan 1994.]

GREG ALFORD

Sent by Mildred Richbourg, AAFA #542

THE NEWS HERALD
Panama City, FL—27 Sept 1993

The newly formed Eastside Optimist Club of Bay County held its installa-

tion banquet for charter members on Aug. 24 at the Tyndall Officer's Club. New officers [include] ... **Greg Alford**, vice president....



JOE ALFORD

Sent by non-member Marletta Childs

THE LIGHT AND CHAMPION
Center, TX—10 Aug 1993

PHOTO BELOW: Constable Joe Alford (left) and Darrell Matthews show off one of Mr. Matthews' prize watermelons grown in the Joaquin area. In spite of recent dry conditions, the melon grew to a weight of 121 pounds.

TIMOTHY W. ALFORD
AAFA #476

BALDWIN PRESS REGISTER
 Fairhope, AL—Thur., 8 July 1993

FAIRHOPE—As a recently organized Baha'i community in Fairhope prepares for a Baha'i holy day on Friday, they do so deeply disturbed by recent news of continued persecution by those who share their faith in Iran, a local Baha'i says.

Timothy Alford, a Baha'i national delegate, said this week the national Baha'i community learned that in the last month the Iranian government has been exhuming the bodies of Baha'is buried in a Tehran cemetery. The action is the latest in nearly 14 years of discrimination and persecution by the Muslim fundamentalist government, which has included the execution of more than 200 Baha'is, Alford said.

"It's paralyzing," Alford said of the Baha'i grave desecrations. "I just can't think of anything more despicable or inhuman. In the month of June they've begun to exhume bodies and move them to places unknown."

The burial plots date back to the earliest Baha'is 150 years ago.

On Friday Baha'is observe the Martyrdom of the Bab, and local Baha'is have been looking forward to their first observance of the holy day since they organized into an active group in April, Alford said.

He said to his knowledge there has never been an active spiritual assembly—the Baha'is' rough equivalent of a church congregation—in Fairhope. However, the Baha'is' roots in Fairhope go back to the turn of the century.

In 1899 Paul Kingston Dealy, the first Baha'i to come to Alabama, came to Fairhope to live, Alford said, and in 1901 there were 31 Baha'i adults living in Fairhope.

Today there are several families in the area, Alford said, not enough to

have the required nine Baha'i adults needed to form a spiritual assembly, but enough to get together in each other's homes and worship together, as well as do other social activities.

"We're very tight-knit," said Alford. He said about 200 Baha'is live in Alabama.

According to Alford, pressure from the international community, including the United States, appears to be the only way to dissuade the Iranian government from continuing a campaign to destroy the Baha'i minority there.

"That's the only hope we have—the international pressure that our government and other governments around the world can bring to play on the government in Iran."

It is not as if Baha'is in Iran are a political threat to the Muslim government's power, Alford said. He said Baha'is here and worldwide are forbidden to engage in partisan politics, so they are not a political body.

Among the Baha'i faith's teaching are the unity of religions and the unity of mankind, he said.

Less than a month ago Alford and other Baha'i held a considerably bright outlook of the situation in Iran, he said. The recent U.S. action of 33 U.S. senators who warned that Iran's persecution of the Baha'i minority is a significant factor affecting relation with the United States, was encouraging, Alford said. The senators urged President Clinton to work with other

Timothy Alford says his and his family's lives are greatly enriched through their Baha'i faith, but they hold concern for those who share their faith in e persecuted. Alford's three daughters are, from left, Gigi, Ruha and Neda.

governments and with the U.N. in efforts to protect the religious rights of the Baha'is.

Alford said it was important, as well, to hear Clinton earlier this year cite Iran's abusive treatment of Baha'is, along with ethnic cleansing in the former Yugoslavia, as a critical human rights concern.

Raised a Methodist, Alford converted to the Baha'i faith 13 years ago and is optimistic about the Baha'i group functioning in Fairhope.

The Baha'i faith itself dates back about 150 years to the prophet-founder Baha'u'llah whom Baha'is believe to be the latest of a series of past and future divine men who include Jesus, Muhammad and Buddha.

The message of the Baha'i faith has a familiar ring to that of Christian, Jewish, or Muslim beliefs because the Baha'i faith pulls from, and builds upon, the tenets of many older religions such as Christianity and Islam, said Alford.

Baha'i services involve the scriptures of many different religions.

"For me it's the realization that God has had a plan from the very beginning," Alford said, explaining his own commitment to the Baha'i faith. "The Baha'i faith is only the latest phase of that plan.

"As a Christian, I felt I had nothing to do with the Jewish faith; I had no knowledge of Islam. Now I've read the Koran three times. I know Islam is a very beautiful religion. The Baha'i faith has caused me to understand that all of the religions are essentially the same. They only differ in the time and in the place in which they are revealed."

Each great religious figure's teachings build on each other, Alford said, from Jesus' message of love to Muhammad's teachings of the value of knowledge, while Baha'u'llah's message of the unity of mankind is the latest contribution to religion.

"The first time I read the Baha'i writings I heard the same voice I heard in church as a child; the same voice I

had grown up with," Alford said.

Alford later met his wife Aqhdas, a Baha'i from Iran. The Alford's have three daughters who are sixth generation Baha'is.

Mrs. Alford's family in Iran has not been immune from the pervasive economic and social discrimination for which Baha'is have been targeted in Iran, Alford said.

Mrs. Alford's father was fired from his job for being a Baha'i, Alford said, and Mrs. Alford has not been able to see her family since she left Iran as a teen-ager 14 years ago.

Last year one Baha'i was executed in Iran due to his faith. He was the cousin of a Baha'i member from Montgomery who is friends of the Alford's.

ROBERT E. ALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Thur., 24 June 1993

Cleanup crews will return today to the intersection of I-55 and I-20 to vacuum the remainder of 24 tons of molasses spilled Wednesday in a wreck that killed a Louisiana trucker.

No long-term environmental damage was anticipated at the site a few hundred feet from the Pearl River, officials said.

"That much molasses could cause a fish-kill situation," said Larry J. Fisher, director of the Hinds County Department of Emergency Management. "It was too much to let go into the (Pearl) river."

Fisher and other officials were unable to tell how much of the molasses got into drainage ditches feeding the river. Work crews aimed to direct the non-toxic molasses into city sewer lines, he said.

The single-vehicle wreck occurred about 7 a.m. Wednesday when Robert E. Alford, 35, of Amite, La., apparently failed to negotiate a curve while

traveling north on I-55 just south of I-20.

His truck hurtled off an elevated span of I-55, falling about 30 feet. Alford apparently died on impact, officials said. Investigating officers were unable to determine if he was wearing a seat belt.

"The truck driver misjudged the curve and his truck ran off of the bridge," police spokeswoman Gwen Harmon said.

Fire Capt. Luther Thompson said skid marks showed where Alford began to apply his brakes. "The tractor part of the truck was in the I-20 merging lane while the cargo tank continued to go straight on I-55," Thompson said.

"Either he fell asleep at the wheel or he was trying to avoid hitting someone because there is plenty of room to make that merge," he said.

Alford, who had driven for eight to 10 years for Jerry Rispone Trucking Co. of Amite, La., was transporting the molasses from Amite to Attala Feed Mill in Kosciusko.

Crews spent about 12 hours cleaning up the molasses before stopping for the night. Workers from Jackson assisted.

"The city supplied a vacuum truck to get the molasses out," said Roslind Longino, administrative officer of the Emergency Operations Center. "It is a very sticky job."

MIKE ALFORD

Sent by Lucille Mehrkam, AAFA #032

THE HOUSTON POST
Houston, TX—1993

The survivors of a family tragedy in Alvin, in which a mentally ill man shot his parents to death and later killed himself in jail, are suing Wal-Mart Stores Inc. for selling the man the handgun.

According to the complaint in federal court, Mike Alford, 37, asked a

Wal-Mart clerk what would happen to the gun sale if he answered yes to the questions about mental illness on the federal form he had to fill out.

When told the sale would not go through, Alford allegedly crossed out the "yes" he had already printed and wrote "no," the suit said. It said the clerk, with the approval of an assistant manager, sold him a .38-caliber pistol for \$240.77 on July 13.

Alford had been suffering from schizophrenia for 19 years, had been committed to mental institutions and was taking medication at the time of the killings, according to the complaint.

The suit said that on Sept. 18, Alford quarreled with his father, Claude Alford Jr., 63, and shot him to death. Then, it said, he waited for his mother, Mary Lynn Alford, 60, who was out walking with his grandmother, Lottie Cook, and when she came home, shot her to death in front of her mother.

Alford reportedly called 911 and confessed to police. He was placed in the Brazoria County Jail, where he killed himself Nov. 8, authorities said.

Wal-Mart spokesmen could not be reached for comment.

LEWIS EDWIN ALFORD

Sent by Willie M. Alford, AAFA # 128

No source
Jackson, MS—Thursday, 16 July 1992

Lewis Edwin Alford III graduated recently with military distinction from the United States Air Force Academy with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering and was commissioned a second lieutenant. At the academy, Alford was a member of the cycling team and served on Wing Staff the spring semester, 1991. He was one of 8 cadets selected for the French Exchange Program and studied at the French Air Force Academy the fall semester, 1991. Alford will report to

Columbus Air Force Base in Columbus on Aug. 27 to begin pilot training

Lewis Edwin Alford

TERRY ALFORD

Sent by Willie M. Alford, AAFA # 128

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—14 June 1992

Dentist to Stars, Renaissance Man

By Willie Hiatt, Herald Sport Writer

It's as pleasant as any dental office can be.

Among the standard implements of torture are a basketball goal over the doorway, enough putters in the corner for an office putt-putt course, and autographed posters and photos of such diverse sports personalities as Andre Agassi, Wade Boggs and Paul "Bear" Bryant.

The general theme of the inscriptions is almost always something like, "Doc, thanks for the smile." You know, the things everyone writes to their dentist.

Dr. Terry Alford, a sports enthusiast and recreational Renaissance man, has devoted one room of his west Bradenton office to sports. It's an appropriate motif. If you wanted to put together say, a celebrity golf tournament, Alford's patient list wouldn't be a bad place to start.

From the tennis world there's Nick Bollettieri, he of the Oakley shades, and longtime student Andre Agassi, he of the milliondollar smile. Agassi's "Just Do It" ads, however, have nothing to do with the American Dental Association's call for better flossing.

From golf there's PGA regular Paul Azinger of River Wilderness Yacht & Country Club. From baseball there's slap-hitter Wade Boggs of the Boston Red Sox and \$5 million man Bobby Bonilla of the New York Mets, as well as their respective wives, Debbie and Millie. The list goes on and on.

Alford, a 44-year-old Alabama native who's every bit as interesting as his patients, never planned on becoming the dentist to the stars. But ever since he helped do a root canal on legendary Alabama football coach Bear Bryant after graduating from Alabama School of Dentistry, athletes just seem to show up in his waiting room.

No matter how many 200-hit seasons you have, sooner or later you end up in the dentist's chair like everyone else, left alone to face the wrath of your hygienist for not brushing properly.

Call it the world's great equalizer. "They're just like everybody else and they don't expect preferential treatment," Alford said of his celebrity patients. "Dentistry is relatively fearful for most people. A gentle hand and touch is what they're expecting."

Alford entered dental school in 1974 after six years as a pilot in the Air Force and a stint in Vietnam. Four years later, a cold, rainy December day put him in a Sunshine State of mind. He targeted Florida's west coast

between Tarpon Springs and Naples as a possible landing site, eventually joining Dr. Jack Richardson's practice as an associate.

Alford is quite a story in his own right. He was born in Mobile, Ala. His father was in the Air Force, taking the family to such exotic datelines as the Philippines and Tripoli, North Africa. He was an Olympic-caliber diver in high school. His recreational interests go on and on. Consider:

- Sky-diving. Alford said he has made 492 jumps, mostly during his tour of duty in the Air Force. On jump No. 217, he said, his main chute failed, forcing him to go to his reserve. It opened at 400 feet above the ground. No big deal.

- Kayaking. At 33, Alford picked up a new sport, and since then he has weaved and bobbed in waters from West Virginia to Colorado. He said he once negotiated the Chattooga River in northeast Georgia, made famous by Burt Reynolds' excruciating ride in the movie *Deliverance*.

- Golfing. About 10 years ago, Alford got serious about the game, and he said his handicap has dropped from 20 to about 3 or 4. He plays a couple of times a week at River Wilderness.

- Flying. As a pilot in Vietnam, Alford flew troops and supplies in a C-141 transport plane. Now he flies his own Twin Comanche, which often is his mode of transportation on fishing excursions to the Florida Keys.

- Hunting and fishing. Alford and buddy Boggs hunt deer and elk out west, and he gets a thrill deep sea-fishing for sailfish and tarpon.

- Scuba diving. Cycling. Photography.

You name it and Alford has probably done it.

"It's just that whatever I'm doing at particular time is very satisfying," said Alford, "or (I like) just sitting around and relaxing and laying on the couch. It appears from the past that I have to be going 100 miles an hour to enjoy myself, but that's really not the case.

Dr. Terry Alford, with mementos from patients Wade Boggs and Andre Agassi, in his sports room at the office.

Alford's first regular sport patient was Boggs, an off season Tampa resident introduced to Alford by a friend of a friend. The two have been close ever since, spending a lot of time hunting and fishing together. Alford stays with Boggs when he goes to Boston for Red Sox games.

Athletes, Alford said, are a good referral base. Boggs' teammate, Mike Greenwell, had a onetime check up. Bollettieri led to Agassi, Agassi's girl friend and brother Phil. Alford met Azinger as a member of River Wilderness. Others are more homegrown, like tennis players Charlie Meadowcroft and Eva Majoli.

You might say his practice has spread by word of mouth.

"Once you see one, you see a number of them. I like working on them. More than anything else, they are very healthconscious," said Alford, who is careful to point out sterilization procedures in his office. "They want the best care they can get, without question."

Alford has few gory drill-and-tell stories. He once put a porcelain veneer on Boggs' chipped tooth; Agassi has "obviously outstanding dental health"; and skittish Bollettieri is the biggest "chicken" in the chair.

Alford's business secretary, Alicia Shelton, said she has a handful of autographs from and photos made with the likes of Agassi, even though the staff tries to keep the commotion over

celebs to a minimum.

The office normally schedules better-known patients very early in the morning or after hours on Friday.

“The first time Andre came in, he said, ‘Hello, I’m Andre,’” Shelton said. “I said, ‘Well.’ Then I looked at him again.”

Even Alford admits to a certain amount of hero-worship. He follows his patients on TV, and he got a kick out of seeing Bonilla’s big smile recently in a photo in *The Bradenton Herald* the day after he blasted a grand slam.

After all, Alford is partly responsible for that grin.

“Even as close a friend as Boggs is,” Alford said, “I’m still in awe of some of these people.”

JOHN ALFORD

Sent by Willie M. Alford, AAFA # 128

THE CLARION LEDGER

Jackson, MS—Wed., 11 Dec 1991

Jitney-Jungle Stores is currently participating in FICAH, or the “Food Industry Campaign Against Hunger,” by setting up collection boxes at many Jitney and Sack and Save Stores across the state. The money collected at each store will be used to combat hunger in Jackson, across Mississippi, throughout the nation, and even in foreign countries.

Hank Holman, left, vice-president of Jitney, said 35% of the money collected will go to the Mississippi Food Network, which supplies food to hundreds of agencies in Jackson and Mississippi.

John Alford, right, executive director of the Mississippi Food Network, and **Hank Holman**, left, vice-president of Jitney.

[**John Alford** is the executive director of the Mississippi Food Network.] Five percent of the money will go to Second Harvest, a nationwide organization that feeds the hungry, and 60% will be used to wipe out hunger in foreign countries.

ALFRED C. ALFORD

Sent by Martin G. Alford, AAFA #147

Source and date unknown

[Two photos are included with article, but they are unsuitable for reproduction.]

KU Law Students Want Statue Moved

LAWRENCE—If a group of University of Kansas law students has its way, the statue of the Law School’s first dean will be moved from in front of the old law school building on Jayhawk Boulevard to a site at the new building, Green Hall.

And if “Uncle Jimmy Green,” as he was affectionately known, does move, then so will **Alfred C. Alford**, whose statue has been Green’s constant companion of 54 years.

And whatever the outcome,

Alford’s fate is sealed with Green’s.

Legend has it that when the sculptor Daniel Chester French (who also carved the statue of Lincoln in the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.) looked through hundreds of photographs of KU students to find a good model for the figure, he selected Alford’s photograph.

Whether French’s choice of Alford was a coincidence or deliberate, he hardly could have found a better student to immortalize. Alford not only has B.A. and law degrees from KU and was a member of an established KU family, but also was the first KU student or alumnus to be killed in a war.

Alford was the oldest of six children, all of whom were graduated from KU. He was the son of Daniel S. Alford, who began his law practice in Lawrence in 1873, and Susan Savage Alford, a member of the first KU graduating class and a contributor to the Atlantic and other magazines.

Alford received a B.A. in 1896 and a law degree in 1897 from KU. He practiced law with his father until the outbreak of the Spanish American War, when he entered the Kansas National Guard. Commander of his company, he was killed in combat at Colocan, Philippines, at the age of 24.

Several of Alford’s relatives still live in the Lawrence area, including his first cousins: Fred S. Alford and Kathryn Davis, both of Lawrence, and second cousins: Donald Alford and Areta Meyer, both of Lawrence and Alfred Davis, Baldwin, and Florence Watson, Piper.

Though Alford’s presence with Green was intended as a depiction of the dean’s closeness with his students, it also is a memorial to another notable Jayhawk.

**EVONNE ALFORD
SALMONS, AAFA #130**

THE PROGRESS
Aransas Pass, TX—Wed., 15 Oct 1975

[A photo is included with article, but it is unsuitable for reproduction.]

Judged show of art work by members of the Golden Triangle Art Association of Aransas Pass was held Friday at the First State Bank of Aransas Pass. The exhibit will continue through this Friday.

The Association members displayed for judging a total of 31 paintings and seven sculptures....

Prior to the judging, the artists' signatures on the artwork were covered and all means of identification removed. The judges commented that the total display was of excellent quality and that judging was very difficult.

The Best of Show award was given to Charles Branch for a sanddune painting in oils entitled "Summer's More."

First place went to **Evonne Salmons** for a landscape in oil entitled "Road to Yesterday"....

**EVONNE ALFORD
SALMONS, AAFA #130**

THE BURLESON COUNTY CITIZEN
Brenham, TX—May 1963

Miss Evonne Lynné Alford, escorted by Mr. Phil deMasco of Leguna Park, will be among the party representing Blinn College, Brenham, Texas, in the 1964 Brenham Maifest May 7-10. The Maifest, a German custom celebrating the spring season and the blooming of spring flowers, will be highlighted by a Junior Court parade and coronation May 8 and a Senior Court parade and coronation May 9, and will consist of numerous other social activities over the four day

celebration.

Evonne, a Freshman speech and drama major, minoring in English at Blinn, was elected cheerleader in the fall semester. Her other activities on campus include Methodist Club song-leader, chorus, Harmonettes, Rodeo Club, and Curtain Club. Her honors received at Blinn consist of nominee for best actress and best all-round drama student at Blinn, as well as an "excellent" rating in poetry interpretation at the State Junior College Speech Meet in Corpus Christi April 9-11.

Evonne is the daughter of Phil Alford of Caldwell and Mrs. Bertie

Alford of Richmond. Phil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G.S. Cook of Leguna Park, Texas.

**EVONNE ALFORD
SALMONS, AAFA #130**

THE BURLESON COUNTY CITIZEN
Caldwell, TX—October 1961

[A photo is included with article, but it is unsuitable for reproduction.]

**Miss Alford Crowned Queen of
1961 Fair**

The magnificent stage setting for Thursday night's coronation ceremonies, when Miss Evonne Alford was crowned Queen of the 1961 Burleson County Fair, was created by Mrs. Jack Faulds, chairman of the Queen's Committee, who is widely known for her decorative skill. The backdrop, featuring a moonlit sky with drifting clouds, and effective lighting, formed the background for the huge silhouette scene of a plantation home with lights shining through the cut-

Yvonne Alford at the Maifest

out windows, a buggy and a Civil War cannon, enhanced with rose trees, abloom with hundreds of roses, and native shrubbery.

The impressive scenery, the entertaining program, which exploited an unusually high quality of talent, the parade of beautiful girls sponsored by various organizations, and the appearance of a large number of bewhiskered gentlemen, many in Civil War costumes, to be judged in the beard contest, provided a pleasant evening of entertainment for the 5000 spectators who attended the activities for the opening night of the Fair. A number of people worked tirelessly, expending a great deal of energy and time to provide the splendid program, which was, no doubt, greatly appreciated by the large audience.

Miss Alford, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Alford Sr., was sponsored by the Caldwell Parent-Teachers Association.

ED ALFORD

Sent by Bob Sterling, AAFA #320

THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Cullman Co., AL—26 July 1934

Ed Alford, a cattle dealer of Gadsden, was found dead on the railroad track in East Gadsden, Wednesday. The cause of his death is a mystery. ❖



Many thanks to Jare Pearingen, AAFA #259, and Willie Alford, AAFA #128, for typing the articles in "Alfords in the News." Jare typed last month's column as well. And thanks to all the contributors—those who keep their eyes peeled for Alfords in the news in their hometown newspapers, and those who search through their own archives and send the clippings their families have preserved.

"Alfords" in Groliers

By Pamela Thompson

Have you ever looked up "Alford" in an encyclopedia and come up with nothing—despite the MANY famous Alfords in our history? Maybe they're buried inside articles, but how to find them? Thanks to computer technology, it's now possible. Grolier's Encyclopedia has been put on CD, allowing a search for every occurrence of the word "Alford" in the encyclopedia. It took about 10 seconds for the following article to appear:

Hitchcock, Lambert

The American furniture maker Lambert Hitchcock, b. Cheshire, Conn., May 28, 1795, d. Apr. 3, 1852, produced high-quality chairs for a wide popular market. His designs were copied by chairmakers in New England, New York, and Ohio. The standard birch or maple "Hitchcock chair" of 1830 sold for about \$1.50 and was an early example of mass production. It had round, turned front legs, square-section rear legs, a back with a curved top rail, and a broad, curved slat; seats were made of rush, cane, or wood. The chairs were painted black and decorated on the top rail, back slat, uprights, and front seat rail with stenciled fruit and floral designs of gilt and colors.

In 1818, Hitchcock established his first cabinet and chair factory near

Barkhamstead, Conn., which by 1825 was producing chairs for export to midwestern and southern states. In the same year, Hitchcock enlarged the factory to accommodate more than a hundred employees. In 1829 the firm suffered loss from fire and was declared bankrupt, but it was reorganized under the name Hitchcock, **Alford**, and Co. and continued successfully until 1843.

Alicia Houston, AAFA Genealogist, reports that she is working on an article about the two Alford brothers of Connecticut who were affiliated with the Hitchcock Chair Company, so we'll find out more about them later!

BIBLIOGRAPHY: Kenney, John T., *Hitchcock Chair: The Story of a Connecticut Yankee* (1971).

There were no other articles containing our name. However, "Alford" authors of sources used to prepare articles for the Encyclopedia did appear. Anyone know who these authors are? They are listed in the bibliographies for individual articles (which usually contain more than one source):

Article on Illinois
Alvord, C.W., and Carter, C.E., *The Illinois Country, 1673-1818* (1965).

Article on Democracy
Alford, Robert R., and Friedland, Roger, *Powers of Theory: Capitalism, the State and Democracy* (1985).

Article on Fruit Cultivation
Alford, D.V., *Colour Atlas of Fruit Pests: Their Recognition, Biology, and Control* (1984).

I also checked Allford (found nothing) and Alvord (found only the one bibliographic entry above), and Hallford (found nothing). Alfred, because it is also a first name, had hundreds of entries, and I didn't have time to check them. ❖

Welcome to
22
New Members
This Quarter!

Obituaries

GUSSIE ALFORD FORTENBERRY

Sent by Faye Alford Swan, AAFA #220

ERA-LEADER

Franklinton, LA—9 February 1994

Alfords attend funeral of kin

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Alford attended the funeral service of Buddy's Aunt Gussie Alford Fortenberry recently. Mrs. Fortenberry resided in Metairie, LA. Graveside services were conducted at Silver Springs Cemetery in Mt. Hermon.

She was survived by three nephews in the Mt. Hermon area. They are Hugh Sam Smith; Donough Alford and A.D. "Buddy" Alford, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles D. Ott.

[Gussie was b. 22 Apr 1908, the youngest child of Jeptha and Laura (Warner) Alford. She m. Duvoix Brown Fortinberry, which is often spelled "Fortenberry." See "Jeptha Martin Alford, 1862-1948", *AAFA ACTION*, March 1993, pp. 37-40.]

SPENCE ALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER

Jackson, MS—Fri., 4 February, 1994

BROOKHAVEN — Spence Alford, 87, a retired golf pro with Brookhaven Country Club, died of heart failure Thursday in King's Daughters Hospital.

Services are 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Brookhaven Funeral Home with burial in Poplar Springs Cemetery in Crystal Springs. Visitation is 4-6 p.m. today.

Mr. Alford, a Copiah County native, was a deacon at Faith Presbyte-

rian Church. He was a World War II Army Air Corps veteran.

Survivors include: wife, Errol; daughters, Mary Carol A. Pepper of West Monroe, La., and Catherine A. Becker of Madison; and a grandson.

In a related article:

COPIAH COUNTY COURIER

Hazelhurst, MS—Wed., 9 February 1994

Spence Alford, 87, of Brookhaven died Feb. 3, 1994, at King's Daughters Hospital.

Funeral services were held Feb. 5 at Brookhaven Funeral Home Chapel.

Mr. Alford, the son of the late James Alexander Alford and Mary Palmer Alford, was a retired golf pro from Brookhaven County Club. He was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church where he was a deacon and had served in the Air Force during World War II.

Survivors are his wife, Errol Hayes Alford of Brookhaven; two daughters, Mary Carol A. Pepper of West Monroe, La., and Catherine A. Becker of Madison; and one grandson.

Interment was in Poplar Springs Cemetery in Crystal Springs with Brookhaven Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

[Spence Alford is entered in AAFA records as being from the JAC738VA line.]

LUCILLE SMITH GRAVES

Sent by Faye Alford Swan, AAFA #220

THE ERA-LEADER

Franklinton, LA—2 February 1994

Mrs. Lucille Smith Graves, 86, a resident of the Hayes Creek Commu-

nity, died at 12:10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 29 at Heritage Manor in Franklinton.

She was a member of the Hayes Creek Southern Baptist Church and the widow of Joe Graves.

She is survived by: a son and daughter-in-law, Roby and Myrna Graves of Franklinton; a grandson and granddaughter-in-law, Terry and Jean Graves of Franklinton; 2 brothers, Earl Smith of Franklinton, and Hugh Sam Smith of Mt. Hermon; 2 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Graves, a grandson, Ricky Graves, and a sister Eathel Lee Johnson.

Visitation was at the Crain Funeral Home from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, and continued on Sunday.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 30, with the Rev. Gibbie McMillan, Rev. R.E. Ogburn, and Dr. Jerry Barlow officiating.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

[Lucille was the daughter of Nola Alford Smith and granddaughter of Jeptha Alford. See "Jeptha Martin Alford, 1862-1948", *AAFA ACTION*, March 1993, pp. 37-40.]

JOYCE H. ALFORD

Sent by Ruby Alford Heard, AAFA #137

THE CLARION-LEDGER

Jackson, MS—Wed., 2 February 1994

Joyce H. Alford, 70, of Joanne Street, a homemaker, died of heart failure Monday at her home.

Services are 11 a.m. Thursday at Lakewood Funeral Home with burial in Lakewood Memorial Park South. Visitation is 4-8 p.m. today and after 9 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Mrs. Alford, a Laurel native, was a member of Lula Baptist Church in Brownsville.

Survivors: son, Noland R. Alford Jr. of Dumas; daughters, Brenda Clingen of Brandon and Mable Garrett and Eleanor Burgess, both of Jackson; brother, Noah H. Holifield Jr. of Laurel; and 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, Mississippi Affiliate, P.O. Box 16808, Jackson MS 39236, or the American Cancer Society Mississippi Division, 1380 Livingston Lane, Jackson MS 39213.

IRENE PONDER ALFORD

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Sun., 16 January 1994

Irene Ponder Alford, 65, of Walker Avenue, a retired secretary from Sears, Roebuck & Co. service department, died of a heart attack Saturday in Mississippi Baptist Medical Center.

Services are 3 p.m. Monday at Baldwin-Lee Funeral Home with burial in County Line Baptist Church Cemetery. Visitation is 4-9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Mrs. Alford, a Rankin County native, was a member of Creston Hills Baptist Church and Leavell Woods Chapter 375, Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include: husband, Ralph Sr.; son, Ralph Alford Jr. of Jackson; daughters, Fetina Crabtree and Theresa Parman, both of Jackson; mother, Verdie Ponder of Jackson; sister, Beatrice Alford of Bradenton, Fla.; and eight grandchildren.

[Irene was the sister-in-law of Willie Alford, AAFA #128, who is Ralph Alford's brother.]

JANE A. ALFORD

Sent by Ruby Alford Heard, AAFA #137

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Sunday, 9 January 1994

Jane A. Alford, 84, of Manhattan Road, a retired secretary from the Florida Department of Transportation, died of pneumonia Friday [7 Jan 1994] at Manhattan Health Care Center.

Services are 10 a.m. Monday at First Presbyterian Church in Chipley, Fla., with burial in Glenwood Cemetery in Chipley. Visitation is 6-8 p.m. today at Wachob Forest Lawn Funeral Home in Chipley. Breeland Funeral Home is handling local arrangements.

Mrs. Alford, a Texas native, had lived in Chipley before moving to Ridgeland four years ago. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and First Presbyterian Church. She was the widow of Paul S. Alford.

Survivors include: daughters, Lottie Taylor of Canton and Mary Bennett of Carolton; and five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 202 E. Peace Street, Canton, MS 39046, or to the First Presbyterian Church in Chipley.

[Jane was the aunt of Sion Augustus "Gus" Alford, AAFA #478. They are part of the JAC738VA branch. AAFA records show that Jane was b. 15 June 1909 and m. Paul S. Alford (1906-1954) on 23 Dec 1932.]

NANCY NUNNALLY ALFORD

Sent by Roberta Folds, AAFA #49

ATLANTA JOURNAL/CONSTITUTION
Atlanta, GA—18 December 1993

ELKO, GA—The funeral for Nancy Nunnally Alford of Perry, a

registered nurse, will be at 11 a.m. today at Henderson Baptist Church here, with burial at Buckhead City Cemetery.

Mrs. Alford, 55, died of cancer Thursday at Perry Hospital.

Surviving are her husband, the Rev. Howard E. Alford; two sons, Russell E. Alford of Warner Robins and Robert A. Alford of Statesboro; her mother, Martha McWhorter Nunnally of Buckhead; and three grandchildren.

LUTHER W. ALFORD

Sent by Julius Alford, AAFA #013

ENTERPRISE-JOURNAL
McComb, MS—21 December 1993

DEKALB—Luther W. Alford, 86, of Dekalb, died Dec. 20, 1993, at Jeff Anderson Memorial Hospital in Meridian.

Visitation is 4:30-9 tonight at Catchings Funeral Home of McComb and from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday. Visitation will continue from 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church of Magnolia until services there at 3 p.m. Burial will be in Magnolia Cemetery.

Mr. Alford was born Jan. 1, 1907, in Magnolia. He was the son of the late Albert A. Alford and Linnie Berryhill Alford.

He was a retired oil company representative and a member of First Baptist Church of Magnolia.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lura W. Alford; and his second wife, Grace F. Alford.

He is survived by three children from his first marriage, Howard W. Alford of McComb, George A. Alford of Jackson, and Norma Hodges of Meridian; and one daughter from his second marriage, Lucy Dean Hull of Dekalb; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

[Luther was the father of Howard W. Alford, AAFA #547.]

CHARLES RAY ALFORD

THE CLARION-LEDGER
 Jackson, MS—Fri., 19 November 1993

MORTON—Charles Ray Alford, 51, a security officer for Mississippi State Hospital at Whitfield, died of suffocation Wednesday in West Scott Hospital after accidentally choking at home.

Services are 2:30 p.m. today at Ott & Lee Funeral Home with burial in Hodge Hill Cemetery. Visitation begins at 8 a.m. today at the funeral home.

He was a lifelong Scott County resident.

Survivors include: son, Danny Ray Alford of Morton; mother, Birdie Alford of Morton; sisters, Diane Box, Darlene McCurdy and La Donna Jean Up of Morton, and Linda Faye Schoen of Clifton; and three grandchildren.

MORENE MAY ALFORD

Sent by Kenneth Alford, AAFA #242

STAR-TELEGRAM
 Fort Worth, TX—Tues., 16 Nov. 1993

ITASCA—Morene May Alford, a seamstress for Durafab Co., died Sunday at her Itasca home. She was 66.

Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. today at Central Baptist Church in Itasca. Clayton Kay Funeral Home in Itasca is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors: Son, Michael Sheridan of Itasca; three daughters, Kay Dominguez, Janie East and Reba Arellano, all of Itasca; four sisters, Ann Brewer of Arlington and Lorene Casey, Virginia Avershaun and Jackie Cockerham, all of Missouri; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

TRAVIS EARL ALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER
 Jackson, MS—Wed., 27 October 1993

WEST POINT—Travis Earl Alford, 68, a retired U.S. Army master sergeant, died of cancer Monday at Clay County Medical Center

Services are at 2 p.m. today at Nowell-Robinson Funeral Home with burial in Arbor Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Alford, a native of Thorn, had lived in West Point 32 years. He was a World War II and Korean War veteran. He had also retired from Dubuque Packing Co. and Bryan Foods.

Survivors include: wife, Jean; son, Mike Murphree of New York; daughters, Linda Holley of New Orleans, Charlotte Messier of Brattleboro, Vt., Debbie Anthony of Tupelo and Jeannie Johnson of West Point; brother, Merrill Alford of Vardaman; sister, Josephine Bennett of Hickory Flat; and four grandchildren.... [article cut off]

ELIZABETH L. "BETTY" ALFORD POST

No source—4 August, 1993

Elizabeth L. "Betty" Post of Vero Beach, Fla., a registered nurse, and former resident of Goshen, N.Y. died Tuesday, Aug. 3, at Indian River Memorial Hospital, Vero Beach. She was 70.

The daughter of the late Charles and Clara Alford, she was born Aug. 18, 1922, in Detroit, Mich.

She was a nurse administrator for the State of New York for 13 years, and worked for Coldwell Banker in Vero Beach, Calif., for eight years prior to retirement. She

served in the United States Army Nurses Corps as a Second Lieutenant during World War II. She was also a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church, Vero Beach.

Survivors include her husband, John W. Post, of Vero Beach; three sons, John C. Post of Melbourne Beach, Donald A. Post of New Hampton, N.Y., and Wayne A. Post of Indiatlantic; two daughters, Mary Lynn Schewenker of Queensbury, N.Y, and Bonnie Ann Post of Salisbury, Conn.; and nine grandchildren.

Friends may call from 6–8 p.m. Thursday at the Cox-Gifford Funeral Home, Vero Beach, Fla.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Vero Beach.... [article cut off]

MARY ETHEL ALFORD HOLMES

Sent by Lodwick Alford, AFA#11
 Uncle of Mary

LAKELAND TIMES
 Lakeland, FL—Mon., 12 July 1993

LAKELAND - Mrs. Mary Ethel "Boots" Holmes of Lakeland died Monday (July 12, 1993) at Lakeland Regional Medical Center. She was 70.

Born in Parkersville, Ga., on March 7, 1923, she was a lifetime resident of the area. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Lakeland.

She is survived by her husband, Robert E. Holmes, Lakeland; son, Raymond Holmes, Lakeland; daughters, Carol Medders and Ruth Canup, both of Lakeland; brother, Robert Alford, Lakeland; sisters, Polly Lobdell, Sue Lobdell and Renna Campbell, all of Lakeland; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Services will be at 2 this after-

noon at Heath Funeral Home, 328 S. Ingraham Ave. Lakeland.

Lodwick Alford wrote this expanded obituary:

Mrs. Mary Ethel Alford Holmes of Lakeland, Polk County, Florida died Monday 12 July, 1993 at Lakeland Regional Medical Center. Interment was at Fitzgerald Cemetery in Lakeland on Thursday 15 July, 1993.

Mary Ethel Alford was born 7 March, 1923 in Parkerville, Worth County, Georgia, the daughter of Dewey Leorus and Mary Ethel Humphreys Alford. As an infant her parents moved to Lakeland and she was thereafter a lifelong resident of the area. She first married Clyde Eason on 6 July 1942 and (2) Robert Erwin Holmes on 14 July 1949 in Moultrie, Colquit County, Georgia.

Mary Ethel was known to her children as a tender, loving and caring mother. but to her siblings, other relatives and close friends she was lovingly known as "Boots". She had a friendly, outgoing personality and was keenly interested in her forbears. She rarely missed an Alford Family reunion held in April every year in Sylvester, Worth County, Georgia in memory of her grandparents William Leorus Haywood and Eleanor Frances Norris Alford. Her ancestry can be traced back to one of the earliest known Alford's in this country, James, Sr. born circa 1687 in New Kent County, Virginia.

Mary Ethel Alford Holmes was a marvelous homemaker and was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Lakeland. She is survived by her husband Robert E. Holmes, a son Raymond Holmes, two daughters Carole Holmes Medders, and Ruth Canup; a brother Robert S. Alford; sisters Renna Juanita Campbell, Dorothy Adella Lobdell and Hilda Jeanette Lobdell all of Lakeland; three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

ADINA GAYLE ALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Tuesday, 29 June 1993

Adina Gayle Alford, 16, of Rainey Road, a high school student, died Monday at University of Mississippi Medical Center of injuries suffered in an automobile accident Friday.

Services are 11 a.m. Wednesday at First Pentecostal Church with burial in Lakewood South Cemetery. Visitation is 4-9 p.m. today at Baldwin-Lee Funeral Home.

Survivors include: parents, Fred and Liz Alford; sister, Diana Alford of Jackson; parental grandparents, H.O. and Annie Alford of Pelahatchie; and maternal grandparents, Vernal and Billie Sullivan of Pearl.

WILLIE SUE ALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Wed., 9 June 1993

DALLAS —Willie Sue Alford, 73, a retired beautician and Mississippi native, died of a heart attack Sunday at Baylor Hospital.

Services are 10:30 a.m. today at Colonial Chapel Funeral Home in Forest with burial in Homewood Methodist Church Cemetery in Scott County.

Mrs. Alford was a Homewood native and had lived in Dallas 37 years.

Survivors include: son, Ronald J. Alford of Dallas; daughter, Bobbye Nell Konkak of Heath, Texas; brothers, Pat Barnes and Ray Barnes, both of Forest, and Bill Barnes, Tommy Barnes and Hugh Nile Barnes, all of Lorena; sister, Rebekah Jones of Forest; and three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

LELA SMITH HALFORD

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Sunday, 2 May 1993

SHREVEPORT—Lela Smith Halford, 86, a retired teacher, died of heart failure Friday at Piedmont Manor Nursing Home in Shreveport.

Services are 11 a.m. Monday at Franklin Funeral Home in Meadville with burial in Midway Cemetery.

Mrs. Halford, a Franklin County native, was a member of Porter's Chapel Methodist Church in Vicksburg. She was a former Vicksburg resident.

Survivors include; son, Wayne Halford of Meadville; daughters, Elsie Quinn of Bossier City, Erma Luckett of Vicksburg and Norabeth Halford of Ocean Springs; and seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

[Lela was the grandmother of Kirby Wayne Halford, AAFA #443. She was the widow of Larry Webster Halford.]

ERMA MARIE ALFORD

Sent by non-member Marleta Childs

THE LIGHT AND CHAMPION
Center, TX—23 April 1993

Funeral services for Erma Marie Alford, 65, of Joaquin were held at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at the Mangum Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. R.D. Warr officiating. Burial was in Oaklawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Center.

Mrs. Alford died Friday, April 16, at her residence.

A Louisiana native, she was born in Desoto Parrish June 4, 1927 to Jim and Maggie Spears Sandifer.

She is survived by her husband, Junior Alford of Joaquin; a sister

Odessa Hines of Shreveport; two brothers, T.V. Pearson of Coushatta and Howard Sandifer of Shreveport; two stepdaughters, Marry Burr of Joaquin and Dorothy Wheless of Logansport; a stepson, J.W. Estes of Tenaha and a number of grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Elmer Mathews, James Walker, Mike Wood, Steve Cockrell, Mike Cummings and Jim Hutto.

Mangum Funeral Home of Center directed the arrangements.

ELEANOR PETRY ALFORD, AAFA #97

From Betty McGugan, AAFA #176

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION
Atlanta, GA—Tues., 16 March 1993

The funeral for Eleanor Petry Alford of Buford, retired owner of Vanguard Insurance Agency, will be at 11 a.m. today at Buford First United Methodist Church, with burial at 3 p.m. at Oaklawn Cemetery in Fort Valley, GA.

Mrs. Alford, 68, died of cancer Saturday at her home.

She retired from the independent insurance agency in 1986.

Eleanor Lucille Petry was born Sept. 24, 1924, in Middletown, Ohio. She graduated from the University of Georgia in 1978 with a degree in art.

Mrs. Alford was a former president of four organizations—the Gwinnett Council for the Arts; Gwinnett Choral Guild; Tucker Elementary PTA; and Pilot club of Tucker. She also was a former member of the board of directors of a Gwinnett unit of the American Cancer Society and a member of Buford First United Methodist Church.

Surviving are her husband, Charles J. Alford Jr.; three sons, Charles J. Alford III and Walter C. Alford of Buford and Jon L. Alford of Tucker; her mother, Eleanor Bound of

Cincinnati; three sisters, Ann Carrol of Midland, Texas, Elizabeth Parker of Cincinnati; and Karla Kiehm of Beaverton, Ore.; and eight grandchildren.

In a related article:

ATLANTA JOURNAL/CONSTITUTION
Atlanta, GA—Monday, 15 March 1993

Mrs. Eleanor Lucille (Lynn) Alford, age 68, of East Maddox Road, Buford, Georgia passed away on March 13, 1993. Surviving are her husband, Charles J. Alford, Jr., Buford; sons, Charles J. Alford, III, Buford, Jon Leslie Alford, Tucker, and Walter C. Alford, Buford; 8 grandchildren; mother, Eleanor Hampton Bound, Cincinnati, Ohio, formerly of Tucker; sisters, Ann Carrol, Midland, Texas, Elizabeth Hampton Parker, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Karla Kiehm, Beaverton, Oregon; and several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Alford was born in Middletown, Ohio on September 24, 1924; was graduated from Hughes High School in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1942, attended the University of Georgia 1942 and 1943. She was married to Charles J. Alford, Jr. in 1943 and they had three sons. She worked as a legal secretary for her husband and in 1959 started her own insurance agency, Vanguard Insurance Agency, where she continued in the business until her semi-retirement in 1985. Upon her sons all graduating from the University of Georgia, she then returned to the University of Georgia in 1975 to continue her education and was graduated in 1978 cum laude with BFA in drawing and painting. Mrs. Alford spent the summer of 1977 in Italy with the University of Georgia's "Studies Abroad Program" and worked one year on a part-time basis in Limited Edition Art Gallery in Lilburn, Georgia. Mrs. Alford was a Charter Vice-President and then President of the Tucker Elementary P.T.A.,

Charter Secretary of Dekalb Association of Independent Insurance Agents, Secretary and Director of the Tucker Community Association, Secretary of the Tucker Youth Council, Charter President of the Pilot Club of Tucker, First Woman Director of the Goals for Dekalb, Director of the American Cancer Society, Gwinnett Unit, Charter President and Director of Gwinnett Council for Arts, Charter Vice President of the Democratic Party of Dekalb County, Vice President and President of P.E.O. Chapter D, and Charter Member, Vice President and President of the Gwinnett Choral Guild. Mrs. Alford was a former member of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Tucker, Georgia and at the time of her death was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Buford. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 1993 at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Buford with the Rev. Herbert Owens and Rev. Bill Holcomb officiating. Interment in the Alford Family Plot in Oaklawn Cemetery, Fort Valley, GA at 3:30 p.m. The family will be receiving friends at the Funeral Home from 2:30-4:00 p.m. and from 7:00-9:00 o'clock p.m. on Monday. Arrangements by Flangian Funeral Home, Inc., Buford, Ga., 932-1133.

WILLIAM E. ALFORD

From Wanda Rogers, AAFA #285

THE KANSAS CITY STAR
Kansas City, MO—11 December 1992

William E. Alford, 79, Chillicothe, Mo., formerly of this area, died Dec. 10, 1992, at a hospital in Chillicothe. Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Christian Church, Chillicothe; burial in Edgewood Cemetery, Chillicothe. Friends may call after 7 p.m. today at Lindley Chapel, Chillicothe. The

family suggests contributions to the Alzheimer's Association. Mr. Alford was born in Fort Smith, Ark., and lived in Chillicothe most of his life. He lived in Kansas City from 1932 to 1936. He owned the Alford Sign Co., in Chillicothe, retiring in 1980. Earlier he worked for the National Biscuit Co. in Kansas City. He was a coordinator for Jerry Litton's campaigns. He was a member of the National Electric Sign Association, the Outdoor Advertising Association of America and the Missouri Association of Outdoor Advertising. He was the former chairman of the Livingston County, Mo., chapter of the American Heart Association. He was a Mason and a member of the Shrine Club, the Country Club and the Kiwanis Club, all in Chillicothe. Survivors include his wife, Adeline Reese Alford of the home; two sons, James R. Alford, Chillicothe, and William E. Alford Jr., San Diego; two daughters, Sue Alford Thomas, St. Joseph, and Ann Alford Lewis, Cleveland, Tenn.; two sisters, Helen Hart, Fort Smith, and Lucy Curley, Buffalo, N.Y.; 14 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**LYNELL J. "BOOT"
 ALFORD**

SUNDAY ADVOCATE
 Baton Rouge, LA—22 November 1992

Died Saturday, Nov. 21, 1992, at Baton Rouge General Medical Center. He was 79, a native of Sunny Hill and resident of Baton Rouge. He was retired maintenance operator with Ethyl Corp. with 36 1/2 years service. Visiting at Hollabaugh-Spindle Wooddale Memorial Chapel, 1553 Wooddale Blvd. at Tom Drive, 5 to 10 p.m. Sunday, and 8 a.m. to religious services at 10 a.m. Monday, conducted by the Rev. Milford Walters, of Winbourne Baptist

Church. Burial in Roberts Cemetery, Kentwood. Survived by wife, Adele Magee Alford; two daughters; Gayle Alford Watts and Lana Alford, both of Baton Rouge; a brother, Richard Alford, Sunny Hill; grandchildren, Jimmy Henson and Tamara Nash Vicker, both of Baton Rouge; four great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by parents, Elmer and Ann Alford; and a brother, Harold "Jep" Alford.

HERBERT L. ALFORD

Sent by Pat Collins, AAFA #523

No source—Fri., 20 November 1992

BATON ROUGE—Services for Herbert L. Alford will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in the chapel of Wooddale Memorial with the Rev. Charles Crews officiating. Burial will be in Greenoaks Memorial Park.

Alford, 92, of Baton Rouge died at 4:40 p.m. Tuesday in Baton Rouge General Medical Center.

He was an entomologist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and a member of University United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, E. Jane Atkins of Baton Rouge; one daughter, Jane Ann Tudor Welch of Arlington, Va.; three sons, John Herbert Alford of Dallas, Texas, Richard Alford of West Columbia, Texas, and Robert Atkins Alford of Sparta, N.J.; two brothers, Thomas Harvey Alford of Baton Rouge and John Louis Alford of Denham Springs; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. today and from 10 a.m. until time of services Saturday in the funeral home.

[[Herbert was the father of Dick Alford, AAFA #534, and the brother of Thomas H. Alford, AAFA #586.]

SAMUEL N. ALFORD

Sent by Jean Brown, AAFA #142

THE ARIZONA DAILY STAR
 Tucson, AZ—Tuesday, 16 June 1992

Alford, Samuel N., 78 of Tucson, AZ went to be with his Lord on June 14, 1992. Survived by wife, Virginia; sons, Edward (Nyla), Waco, TX, Sam C., Tucson, AZ, Dr. Nathan (Pamela), Kildeer, IL; 11 grandchildren. Mr. Alford was a resident of Tucson since 1968 and recently he and his wife celebrated their 60th Wedding anniversary. Mr. Alford was the President and Founder of the Buckeye Finance Co. located in Ohio. He is a lifetime member of the Kiwanis Club, 70 year member of the West Park Methodist Church Mowac Class, was a 32nd Degree Mason, 50 year member of Masonic Lodge and active in the local Sabbar Marshall Staff. Memorial Services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 17, 1992 at the Adair Funeral Home, Avalon Chapel, 8090 N. Northern Ave at Magee.

**WILLIAM "BILL"
 ALFRED ALFORD**

Sent by Camille Crouse, AAFA #034

WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL
 Winston-Salem, NC—22 April 1992

Mr. William "Bill" Alfred Alford, 72, of 4687 Baux Mountain Road died Monday, April 20, 1992. He was born February 22, 1920 in Horry County, S.C. to Joe and Dannie Capps Alford. Mr. Alford was a truck driver for Hennis-Spector Freight Co. before retiring in 1977 after 29 years of service. He served in the Army during World War II and was of the Baptist faith. Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth "Lib" Conner Alford of the home; three daughters, Diane Jones, Cathy

Lawson and Missy Alford, all of Winston-Salem; one son, William A. Alford, Jr. of Charlotte, three special granddaughters, Heather "Bug" Jones, Stacy Cook and Katie Alford; one grandson, his buddy, Billy Gray Lawson; three sisters, Annie Byrd of Marion S.C., Minnie Roberts of Gallavants Ferry, S.C. and Gracie Johnson of Charleston, S.C.; one brother, Marvin Alford of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; a very special sister-in-law, Ann Husted of the home. A memorial service will be 7 p.m. Wednesday at Hayworth-Miller Silas Creek Chapel by Ms. Louise Hines and Rev. R.E. Conner. The family will receive friends following the service. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Winston-Salem/Forsyth County or the Diabetes Foundation.

VENICE LEWIS ALFORD

Sent by Camille Crouse, AAFA #034

WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL
 Winston-Salem, NC—3 November 1990

Mr. Venice Lewis Alford, 81, of 933 Hutton Street, died Friday, November 2, 1990, at his residence. He was born February 13, 1909 in Bryson City, La. to Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis [sic]. Mr. Alford retired from the United States Army and the reserves after 35 years of service. He was also retired from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company after 44 years of service. He was a member of Urban Street Baptist Church and a volunteer at Forsyth Memorial Hospital. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Glenda Alford. Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth W. Alford, of the home; one son and daughter-in-law, Gary Alford, Sr. and Donna Alford, of Lexington; one grandson, Gary Alford, Jr. of Lexington; two great grandchildren, Jennifer and Heather Alford. Funeral services will be 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Hayworth-Miller Silas Creek Chapel by Rev. Sammy Shoaf. Burial will follow in

Parklawn Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

JACK SHANNON ALFORD

Sent by non-member Marleta Childs

THE LIGHT AND CHAMPION
 Center, TX—Fri., 29 December 1989

Funeral services for Jack Shannon Alford, 21, of Joaquin, were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28 at Word of Faith Outreach Center in Haslam. Rev. Glen Rogers and Brother Kevin Windham officiated. Interment followed at the Alford Cemetery near Joaquin.

Mr. Alford died Monday, Dec. 25, in an auto accident.

He was the son of Jack and Jean Lovell Alford of Joaquin, born Sept. 13, 1968. He was a radio announcer for KDET/KLCR in Center.

Mr. Alford is survived by his parents; one sister, Faith Register of Logansport, La.; two brothers, Frank Davis and Dub Alford, both of Joaquin; and his grandmothers, Doris Lovell of Joaquin and Lucille Jernigan of Center.

Pallbearers were James P. Wilson, David Jacobs, Dan Dellinger, Rob D. Champlin, Keith Windham and E.J. Barber.

Mangum Funeral Home in Center directed the arrangements.

BETTY LOU ALFORD

Sent by Martin George Alford, AAFA #147—Son of Betty

No source

Mrs. Betty Lou Alford, 77, of 5321 Walmer, Mission, died yesterday at the home. She was born in Sherman, Tex, and had lived in Baxter Springs,

Kas., most of her life before she moved to this area last year. Mrs. Alford was a member of the Wichita First Assembly of God church. Surviving are three sons, Marshall Alford, Joplin, Mo.; LeRoy Alford, Lyons, Kas, and Martin Alford, Abilene, Kas.; three daughters, Mrs. Lucille Hohler and Mrs. Wanda Lee Gumfory, both of Wichita; and Mrs Dorothy Marie Easley of the home; a brother, Clarence Vaughn, Casper, Wyo; two sisters, Mrs. Rose Raymond, Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Ruby Lee Commons, Rupert, Idaho; 12 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 11 o'clock Saturday at the Downing East chapel, Wichita; burial in Maple Grove cemetery there. Friends may call at the Fulton-Nickel chapel until 1 o'clock today.

In a related article (no source):

Mrs Betty Alford, 77, a former Abilene resident, died Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Easley in Mission. She was the mother of Martin Alford, 751 N. Olive, Abilene.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Downing Mortuary East in Wichita.

GEORGE TOWNE ALFORD

Sent by Martin George Alford, AAFA #147—Son of George

No source

George Towne Alford, 1127 Catalina, Wichita, died suddenly this morning [16 October 1962] at the home of his son, Martin Alford, 1402 West 14th, where he had been visiting for the past four days.

He was born Sept. 18, 1888 in Coffeyville, Miss. On Oct 31, 1916, he was married to Betty Lou Vaughn, in Carterville, Mo.

In addition to Martin Alford, he is

survived by his wife of the home and the following children: Marshall E. Alford, of Mission; Leroy Alford, of Concordia; Mrs. Lucille Hohler, of Wichita; Mrs. Dorothy Easley, of Mission; and Mrs. Wanda James of Wichita. Also surviving are one brother, Whit Alford of Dora, Ala., 12 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The body will be taken by the Mass-Hinitt Funeral Home to Wichita Wednesday morning where services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:00 by the Downing Mortuary.

In a related article (no source):

Funeral services for George T. Alford, 74, of 1127 Catalina, who died Tuesday at Junction City while visiting a son, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Downing Mortuary.

The Rev. Don H. McKinney and the Rev. H.A. Thomas will officiate. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Carl Easley, Byrd Hohler, Russell Parker, Jerry Hohler, Steven James and Gary Alford.

In another related article (no source):

A Wichita resident for the past nine years, George Towns Alford, 74, of 1127 Catalina, died early Tuesday morning at Junction City where he had been visiting a son.

Born Sept. 18, 1888, in Mississippi, he had moved to Wichita from Abilene. He was a retired miner.

Among his survivors are his widow, Betty, of the home; three sons, Marshall, of Kansas City, LeRoy, of Concordia, and Martin, of Junction City; three daughters, Mrs. Lucille Hohler, 1939 S. Pinecrest, Mrs. Dorothy Easley, Mission, and Mrs. Wanda James, of the home; one brother, Whit, of Dora, Ala: 12 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Downing Mortuary is in charge of funeral arrangements.

PLEASANT ALFORD

Sent by Bob Sterling, AAFA #320

DECATUR DAILY
Decatur, AL—Fri., 3 September 1954

HARTSELLE—Saturday at 2:30 p.m. funeral services for Pleas Alford, 78, Falkville 1, will be conducted by Rev. M.S. Palmer and Rev. L.D. Nance at the Falkville Methodist Church. Mr. Alford died at his residence Thursday at 2 p.m.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Grace Hill, Falkville 1; Mrs. Irene Hill, Falkville 1; one son, Coy, Falkville 1; 17 grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. [Editor's note: I don't know what the "1" is after Falkville; Bob sent this obituary as a typed transcript.]

The deceased, a retired farmer, was a member of Gandy's Cove Methodist Church. Interment will be in the adjoining cemetery, Peck directing.

Pallbearers will be Cecil Alford, Julian Alford, Bobby Alford, Roy Wayne Alford, Harold Hill, and Carl Edward Hill.

[Bob Sterling sends this additional information: Pleasant Alford married Beulah Sterling, a distant cousin. He was the son of Ezekiel C. Alford, an ancestor of Betty Alford Dietz, AAFA #007. Ezekiel's father was also named Pleas. According to the tombstone in the Falkville Cemetery in Morgan Co., AL, Pleas was b. 1 Dec 1875 and d. 2 Sept 1954.]

W.N.B. ALFORD

Sent by Ben R. Alford, AAFA #505

No source—1905

Brother W.N.B. Alford, father of Rev. R.E. Alford of the Tennessee Conference, died at his home, in

Robertson County, Tenn., May 20, 1905. Brother Alford was born January 19, 1826, and was in his eightieth year at the time of his death. In early life he was converted and joined the Methodist Church and lived all his life in its communion. He loved the Church, he loved all Christians; but he was devoted to his own Church. He was never happier than when the preachers visited him, and never too busy to spend hours in conversation with them. He loved to talk about religion. He had an experience, and was not ashamed to speak of it. His was a happy, Christian life. It was my privilege to be his pastor for three years and frequently to be in his home. It was a truly Christian home. Brother Alford's wife was Miss Dicey C. Bilbro and to this union seven children were born, all but one of whom are living and members of the Church. Their father never accumulated for them a great estate, but he left them a better heritage; "a good name, which is rather to be chosen than great riches." He was a great sufferer in his old age, and for four or five years was almost totally blind, yet he continued cheerful and bright. He had read his Bible much, and in his last sickness would repeat whole chapters. When the end came he was ready. "There are no dark chilly waters; all is bright before me," he testified, and, requesting all of his children to meet him in heaven, he "fell on sleep." Dear old friend of my early ministry, we shall meet again.—George L. Beale [Note by Ben Alford: Rev. George L. Beale served prominently in the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Church and for many years was Secretary of the Conference.) ❖

A big thank you to Susan Wiseheart, who works for Ella Alford, AAFA #246, for typing the Obituaries for AAFA ACTION. And thanks to Ella for letting Susan have the time to do this for us!

Claude Alford, AAFA's Oldest Member!

The photo at right was taken Saturday morning, 9 October 1993 in St. Francisville, LA, at the annual meeting. Claude A. Alford, AAFA #17, was born 6 January 1898. He is the only living AAFA member born in the previous century. He informed us in St. Francisville that he plans to live until the year 2000 so that he can say he lived in three centuries! Many of us believe he will make it. He brought to the meeting some corn brooms which he had made himself and gave them to members who were interested in having them. Thanks to Hollis Fortinberry and AAFA member Fay Smith for bringing Mr. Claude over from Mississippi, and thanks to Faye Swan for taking the photograph. It would seem appropriate for AAFA to schedule the meeting in 2000 as near Progress, MS, as possible so Mr. Claude won't have to travel so far! Long Live Alford!—Gil Alford

The following article appeared in the May 1994 issue of an unidentified rural electric company newspaper and was sent by Faye Swan, AAFA #220.

Super Seniors Offer Their Recipes for Health

May is Older Americans Month, a time to honor those who are in their golden years. It's also an ideal time to learn from the examples set by many of our senior citizens.

STILL ACTIVE AT 96

Born January 6, 1898, Mr. Claude A. Alford says that in less than six

Mr. Claude Alford holds one of the broom sedge brooms he makes as a hobby and gives to friends.

Claude Alford of Progress recently celebrated his 96th birthday with a party hosted by his children at the Progress Baptist Church fellowship hall. Approximately 120 people attended. Twenty-seven family members attended, including his children: Florene, Kathleen, C.A. Alford Jr. and Hollis Alford. Alford lives alone in the 117-year-old home where he was born 96 years ago. His wife of 63 years—Inez Allen—died 11 years ago.—From an unknown newspaper

years he will be able to say that he has witnessed a part of three centuries.

A resident of the Progress Community in Pike County, Mr. Alford was born in the house in which he still resides. One of a family of 10 children, he began farming with his father in 1918 and married in 1920. He and the late Mrs. Alford were the parents of four children.

Raising cotton, timber and cattle, he branched into contract road and bridge construction for the county. He also operated a general store and served as postmaster.

Mr. Alford's elder brother, the late G.H. Alford, was an agriculturist who advocated telephones, electric lights, paved roads and good schools for rural people long before they became reality. He became the first manager of Magnolia Electric Power Association.

At age 96, Mr. Alford is an active member of Progress Baptist Church. He has been a member of the Masonic Lodge since 1924 and an officer for the past 51 years. He is a charter member of the Alford American Family Association and the oldest living member. He has traveled extensively in 38 states but says he has never been away from home more than six weeks in his life.

Last year Mr. Alford logged 7,400 miles in his auto. He keeps a daily diary and stays busy with such activities as working in his yard and making broomsedge brooms. Tied with a bow and decorated with cotton that he grows, these brooms are found in 21 states.

When asked the secret of his long and active life, Mr. Alford replies: "Moderation in all things and with the help and will of the Supreme Being."

Recalling the days when Highway 51 was awinding gravel road, he says, "Cooperation has made possible things we never had before. Why can't we apply that to everything we do?" ❖

Odds and Ends

✓ Marriage Certificate Offer

Ervan L. Amidon [Not AAFA]
3782 Inocochee Trail
Traverse City, MI 49684-1410
(616) 946-8948

"I have the original of the Marriage Certificate of MARY GRACE ALVORD and Timothy Joseph KELLEHER on 19 August 1891 at Battle Creek, Calgoun County, Michigan. You will find the details on page 585, (No 1918) of *A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord: An Early Settler of Windsor, Conn. and Northampton, Mass.* compiled by Samuel Morgan Alvord, 1908.

I will send this document to anyone who can prove a close relationship to this husband and wife. No. 10 SASE please."

✓ Looking for Pictures from Washington Parish, LA

Williams Genealogical and Historical Publications
514 Cole Avenue
Monroe, LA 71203

E. Russ Williams Jr., Associate Professor of History at Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe, LA, has available for sale the following books that may be of interest to some AAFA members. They can be ordered from the address above.

HISTORY OF WASHINGTON PARISH, LOUISIANA 1798-1992: The Story of a Land and People on Three Rivers: The Pearl, the Bogue Chitto, and the Tangipahoa in Southeast Louisiana, Volume One. This 485-page indexed volume covers the area from inception through the 19th century. This volume is pure history and only

covers the genealogy of a family if it is pertinent to the topic under consideration. The price is \$45.

GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL LEGAL ABSTRACTS OF ST. HELENA PARISH LOUISIANA, 1804-1870.

This 350-page indexed volume contains abstracts of all successions (wills and estates) in the St., Helena Courthouse in Greensburg, abstracts of all extant marriages from 1811 to 1870 (White and Black), and the 1823, 1824, and 1826 Personal Tax Assessment Rolls. Dr. Williams adds that many successions that were not in a previous 1966 edition are included, such as the Julius Alford succession. The pre-publication price of this book is \$35.

Dr. Williams wrote the following to Dr. David Schultz, AAFA #181: "I still plan two massive books on the old Washington Parish families. I have the research done now. I am trying to cover every family in fairly good detail with as many old pictures of every old family I can get and identify. But I have only two old ALFORD pictures. I think I have a very old faded one of Edwin Alford and his wife. The old Ball picture book I found it in just said that the picture was 'mother's grandparents.' So, was it the Ball or Alford grandparents? This makes me wonder if you might have any old photographs?"

✓ The Alford Arms

D.L. Alford, AAFA #54, found a mention of "The Alford Arms" in an unidentified magazine. In an article titled "Very Innviting, Britain's Premier Collection of Country Pubs" about England's Wayside Inns, it says: "You'll have to search hard to find the 'Three Horseshoes' at Harpenden and 'The Alford Arms' near Hemel Hempstead (they really are 'off the wayside') but a visit will certainly repay the effort...." ❖

Part 21: Josiah Alford's Alford Family Notes

From Josiah George Alford's *Alford Family Notes Ancient and Modern* (London: 1908), pp. 170-177.

THE ALFORDS OF CURRY RIVEL, etc., SOMERSET

10. **Richard Alford**, fifth son of Samuel Alford and his wife, was born at Heale in 1816. Having been at the Ilminster Grammar School, he entered the medical profession, and practised for some years at Tewkesbury, settling, in 1855, in Weston-super-Mare, where he gained a high reputation as a doctor, and was held in great respect. He married, in 1846, Frances Ann, daughter of Robert Zincroft, of Bristol, by whom he had six children:

- i. Ellen Maria, born at Tewkesbury, married Charles Baly, dentist, of Harley Street, now retired and residing at Hampstead.
- ii. Richard Francis Alford, born 1849, educated as an engineer and died, unmarried, in 1882. His grave, in the Cemetery at Weston-super-Mare, has the inscription:

"Richard Francis Alford
Died December 9th, 1882,
Aged 33 years."

"Now, we see through a glass, darkly; but then
face to face."

- iii. George Ernest Alford, born at Tewkesbury in 1853, was educated at Clifton College, and later became a medical man of high qualifications. After a period as house-surgeon at the Westminster Hospital, he commenced private practice in Weston-super-Mare, quickly taking a leading position in his profession. He married, in 1879, Annette Frances, eldest daughter of Surgeon-Major Rimington, Indian Staff Corps, their family being:
 1. Ernest Francis Rimington Alford, born 30 Aug. 1880, now Medical Officer P. and O. SS. "Nubia".
 2. Arthur Cameron Rimington Alford, born 26 Oct. 1882; passed through the Woolwich Academy, and holds a Commission in the Royal Artillery.
 3. Cyril Ernest Rimington Alford, born 11 Nov. 1895.
 4. Eva Annette Rimington, born at Weston-super-Mare.
 5. Irene May Rimington, born at Weston-super-Mare.

Geo. Ernest Alford died in 1895 after a short illness brought on through overwork at the time of an influenza epidemic at Weston. He was accorded a public funeral, and a Ward added to the local Hospital as a memorial to his worth. A marble cross marks his grave

in the Weston Cemetery, bearing this inscription:

"In loving memory of
George Ernest Alford,
M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Who entered into rest May 28, 1895."

- iv. Henry Powell Alford, born at Weston-super-Mare in 1856, matriculated at New College, Oxford, in 1875, graduated B.A. (honours) in 1879, and M.A. later. Taking holy orders, he was presented to the Vicarage of Woodbury Salterton, Devon, in 1882, and was Rural Dean. He married, in 1883, Amy Emmeline, third daughter of the late Surgeon-Major Rimington, and now holds the College living of Worthen, Shropshire.
- v. Arthur Gomer Alford, born 1858, died, unmarried, in 1882. Buried at Weston-super-Mare.
- vi. Annie, born, and living, at Weston-super-Mare.

Mr. Richard Alford died in Oriel Terrace, Weston-super-Mare, in 1903, and was buried in the Cemetery. A mural brass in the Parish Church bears the following inscription:

"Their surviving children placed this Tablet
in memory of
Richard Alford, F.R.C.S.,
and Frances Ann his wife;
Married in this Church June 2nd, 1846;
Died March 30, 1903, in his 87th year.
Died January 7, 1884, in her 62nd year.
In hope of the Resurrection to Eternal
Life."

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11. **Stephen Shute Alford**, sixth son of Samuel and Rebecca Alford, of Heale, was born March 21, 1821. Educated at the Ilminster Grammar School and at University College, London, he entered the medical profession, and practised at Haverstock Hill. He also held the appointment of Medical Officer to the London and North Western Railway Company. He married, 28 June 1848, Helen Aspinwall, of Lydiate, Lancashire, by whom he had three children:

- i. William Alford, born 1849, was educated at Crewkerne School, and brought up for the law, practising as a Solicitor at Crewkerne, and later in Clifton. He married, first Mary Ellen Smart, of Northcote, Cirencester, by whom he had five sons:
  1. William Montagu Alford, born in 1875, now of

Bournemouth; married Geraldine Edith Fitzgerald, and has a daughter Joyce.

2. Frederick Alford, born 8 March 1877.
3. Maurice Alford, born 18 March 1879, now in St. John's, Newfoundland.
4. Stephen Colin Alford, born 30 May 1881.
5. Archibald Hugh Alford, born 17 May 1883; died in Australia, 1908, unmarried.

Having lost his first wife, Mr. Willam Alford married secondly, Agnes Oke, daughter of the Rev. Samuel Alford, had two sons:

6. Hubert Tickell Alford, born 7 Sept. 1888, died in infancy.
7. Ronald William Tickell Alford, born 21st August 1891.

William Alford died in a London nursing-home, 5 March 1903, and was buried in the Greenbank Cemetery, Bristol.

- ii. Frederick Stephen Alford, born 1850, followed his father in the medical profession, living also on Haverstock Hill, and died, unmarried, in 1906.
- iii. Helen Powell, living at Cricklewood, Middlesex.

Mr. Stephen Alford died in 1881 from injuries received while attending to his medical duties on the Railway, being run over whilst crossing the line at Willesden Junction. He was buried in the Highgate Cemetery, where his grave is thus inscribed:

“Stephen Shute Alford,  
died July 5th, 1881,  
Aged 60 years.”

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12. **George Alford**, youngest son of Samuel Alford of Heale and Rebecca his wife, was born 16 May 1823. Educated at the Crewkerne Grammar School, and at Queen's College, Oxford, where he graduated in 1846, M.A. 1849, he was ordained, and became successively rector of Aston Sandford, Vicar of Cookley, of St. Paul's Bristol, and of Mangotsfield. In 1848 he married Lucretia Reid, daughter of Joseph Field, of Hatfield, Herts, by whom he had six children:

- i. Allan Cameron Alford, born 1855; graduated at Cambridge, Corpus Christi College, 1877, M.A. 1881; took Holy Orders, was Rector of Aston Sandford; now Vicar of Cuddington, Bucks. He married Mary Lary.
- ii. George Percy Alford, born 1858; graduated at

Cambridge, B.A. 1888, M.A. 1892; took Holy Orders, and after being his father's curate at Mangotsfield, was appointed in 1899 Vicar of Wormleighton, Wore. He married Alice Mary Johnson, who died in 1906, and has children:

1. Robert George Alford, born 1892.
2. Percy Noel Alford, born 1894.
3. Howard Cameron Alford, born 1897.
4. Lucretia Mary.

iii. Sidney Field Alford, born 1864; graduated at Durham, B.A. 1888, M.A. 1891; took Holy Orders, and in 1896 became Vicar of St. Andrew the Less, Clifton. He married Harriette Lucy Sowter, and has children:

1. Sidney Ernest Alford, born 1892.
2. Allan Charles George Alford, born 1894.
3. Arthur Frederick Alford, born 1895.
4. Kenneth Field Alford, born 1898.
5. Marjorie Victoria.
6. Eirene Violet.

iv. Cecil Ernest Alford, born 1867; passed through the London College of Divinity, and was ordained in 1890. Vicar of Lowdham, Notts, since 1902.

- v. Harriette Lucretia, married Nathaniel Strickland, Solicitor, of Clifton.
- vi. Florence Bertha, married Wm. Manley Lory, Surgeon, now Dep. Inspector-General, R.N.

In 1898 the Rev. George Alford celebrated his golden wedding at Mangotsfield, he with his four sons—he of the fifth and they of the sixth generation in Holy Orders—taking part in Divine Service. Losing his wife two years later, he retired from his benefice, afterwards residing with his second son at Wormleighton.

EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS

Curry Rivel, Somerset

- 1667, Aug. 11. Mary, daughter of Edward Alford, baptized.
- 1670, Aug. 19. Marmaduke Alford, buried.
- 1672, Apr. 19. Marmaduke, son of Marmaduke Alford, buried.
- 1672, July 21. Maria Alford, buried.
- 1672, Dec. 25. Edith, widow of Edward Alford, buried.
- 1698, Nov. 10. “Thomas Alford and Frances Powel”, marriage.
- 1699, Sept 13. Letitia, daughter of Thomas Alford, baptized.
- 1701, May 27. Richard, son of Thomas and Frances Alford, baptized.

1702, Dec. 15. Robert, son of Robert and Mary Alford, baptized.

1703, June 15. Thomas, son of Thomas & Frances Alford, baptized.

1705, July 4. Samuel, son of Thomas & Frances Alford, baptized.

1706, Apr. 20. Joan Alford, buried.

1708, May 19. Marmaduke, son of Thomas and Frances Alford, baptized. Born May 1st, (added) "was drowned April 30, 1712."

1708, Burial. "Thomas Alford, Vicar, September 16."

1720, May 22. Marmaduke Alford and Ann Griffin, married.

1722, June 24. Dorothy, daughter of Marmaduke and Ann Alford, baptized.

1728, Aug. 4. Robert Alford, buried.

1730, July 5. Dorothy, daughter of Marmaduke Alford, buried.

1736, June 27. Mary Alford, widow, buried.

1737, Feb. 3. Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Alford, buried.

1738, Apr. 30. Betty, daughter of Robert and Love Alford, baptized.

1738, Dec. 13. Ann, wife of Marmaduke Alford, buried.

1740, Dec. ? Sarah, daughter of John and Mary Alford, baptized.

1742, Dec. 5. John, son of Robert Alford, buried.

1742, Dec. 19. Joan, daughter of John Alford, buried.

1743, Feb. 13. Sarah, daughter of John Alford, buried.

1744, June 15. John, son of Robert and Love Alford, baptized.

1746, Aug. 3. Joan, daughter of Robert Alford, baptized.

1747, Jan. 11. John, son of John and Mary Alford, baptized.

1747, Oct. 22. John, son of John & Mary Alford, buried.

1752, Apr. 12. Dorothy, daughter of Marmaduke and Rachel Alford, baptized.

1755, Jan. 12. John, son of Marmaduke and Rachel Alford, baptized.

1757, July 3. Patience, daughter of Marmaduke and Rachel Alford, baptized.

1762, June 6. Grace, daughter of Marmaduke and Rachel Alford, baptized.

1766, Sept. 15. Thomas Alford and Mary Hughs, married (licence).

1767, Mar. 29. Robert Alford was buried.

1774, Dec. 21. Marmaduke Alford, buried.

1776, Mar. 25. "Samuel, ye son of the Rev. Samuel Alford and Mary his wife, baptized.

1779, May 6. Thomas, son of the Rev. Samuel Alford and Mary his wife, baptized. Born April 30.

1779, Nov. 23. Rachel Alford, buried.

1781, Jan. 8. Anne, daughter of Rev. Samuel Alford and Mary his wife, baptized. Born January 4.

1782, Dec. 8. Henry, son of the Rev. Samuel Alford and Mary his wife, baptized. Born Dec. 3.

1784, June 17. Harriet, daughter of Rev. Samuel Alford and Mary his wife, baptized. Born June 7.

1791, May 8. Daniel Alford, buried.

1795, May 31. Sarah Alford, buried.

1795, Dec. 20. Samuel Alford, buried.

1796, Jan. 10. Jane Alford, buried.

1799, Aug. 13. "The Rev. Samuel Alford, Vicar of this parish, buried."

1803, Dec. 29. Samuel, son of the Rev. Samuel Alford and Rebecca his wife, baptized. Born Oct. 30.

1805, Sept. 16. Thomas, son of the Rev. Samuel Alford and Rebecca his wife, baptized. Born April 24.

1806, Sept. 9. Henry, son of the Reverend Samuel Alford and Rebecca his wife, baptized. Born July 17. (Signed) James Sedgwick, Vicar.

1808, Sept. 13. Walter, son of the Revd. Samuel and Rebecca Alford, baptized. Born 5 March. (Signed) James Sedgwick, Vicar.

1816, May 29. Richard, son of the Rev. Samuel Alford of Heale, Clerk, and Rebecca Alford, baptized. Performed by Samuel Alford.

1821, Mar. 21. Stephen Shute, son of the Rev. Samuel and Rebecca Alford, Heale, Clerk, baptized.

1823, May 12. George, son of the Reverend Samuel and Rebecca Alford of Heale, Clerk, baptized by Samuel Alford.

1854, Burial. "The Revd. Samuel Alford, of Heale House, March 29th, age 78 years."

Muchelney, Somerset

1845, Apr. 15. Walter Goldin, son of Walter and Lydia Alford, Clerk and Incumbent, baptized by Samuel Alford.

1846, Aug. 17. Jane Bush, daughter of Walter and Lydia Alford, baptized by Walter Alford.

1848, May 3. Robert, son of Walter and Lydia Alford of Muchelney, baptized by Walter Alford, Clerk and Incumbent.

1851, Oct. 5. Emily Ann, d. of Walter and Lydia Alford of Muchelney; baptized by Walter Alford, Clerk and Incumbent.

Drayton, Somerset

1859, Sept. 20. William Powell, son of Walter and Lydia Alford of Drayton, baptized by Walter Alford, Clerk and Incumbent. ❖

To be continued in the next issue.

LAFAYETTE Parish**WESTERN DISTRICT; (date ??)***Page 244 - House 3 - family 3*MCMILLAN, JAMES 30 M LA BARKEEPER
\$500**JAMES D. ALFRED 57 M KY CARPENTER***Page 267 - House 308 - family 312*DOMINQUE, EMANUEL 37 M LA OVERSEER
\$1000**HENRY ALFRED 25 M KY NONE****LIVINGSTON Parish****No town listed; 17 Aug 1850***Page 351A-352B - House 251 - family 251*WILLIAMS, ALFRED 39 M NC FARMER
\$255

WILLIAMS, MARY 28 F MS

MITCHELL, W.J. 12 M MS

MITCHELL, ADALINE 10 F MS

NANCY ALFORD 5 F LA**ANN ALFORD 4 F LA**

WILLIAMS, ALWILDY 2 F LA

LIBERSCE, JAMES 4/12 M LA

MOREHOUSE Parish**WARDS NO. 7 & 9; 13-14 Aug 1850***Page 388 - House 74 - family 75*MCFARLAND, A.I. 40 M TN MERCHANT/
FARMER
\$9000**JULIUS C. ALFORD 20 M AL LABORER****WARD NO. 6; 20 Aug 1850***Page 392B-393A - House 141 - family 146*WARREN ALFORD 40 M MS FARMER
\$15000

FRANCES J. ALFORD 11 F MS

THOMAS R. ALFORD 9 M MS

MARY ANN ALFORD 8 F MS

GEORGE W. ALFORD 6 M MS

JOHN W. ALFORD 30 M MS FARMER
\$800**ORLEANS Parish****NEW ORLEANS 1ST WARD; (date ??)***Page 31 - House 464 - family 468*FRERET, WM 44 M LA COTTON
PRESSER
\$1300

FRERET, FANNY 33 F EN

WILLIAM ALFRED 17 M LA

FRERET, FANNY 15 F LA

FRERET, FREDERICK G. 11 M LA

SALKELD, GEORGE B. 47 M EN CLERK

SALKELD, ANNA 50 F EN

JERMOT, CATHARINE M. 10 F NY

NEW ORLEANS 1ST WARD; 31 Jul 1850*Page 56 - House 997 - family 1143*FOUCHE, FELICITE 60 F* SD (SANTA
DOMINGO)
\$1000

VOISIN, JULIA 30 F* LA

CARMILITE ALFRED 12 F* LA

RIVERA, N. 60 F* SD

*Mulatto

NEW ORLEANS 3RD WARD; 7 Aug 1850*Page 93 - House 1004 - family 1015*

OSCAR ALFRED 20 M* LA CARPENTER

SOPHIE ALFRED 19 F* LA

*Mulatto

3RD REP; 3 Aug 1850*Page 141 - House 428 - family 540*

(BOARDING HOUSE)

JOSEPH ALLFORD 35 M MO CLERK*Page 229 - House 1564 - family 1989*

(BOARDING HOUSE)

**WILLIAM ALFREAD 35 M MS STEAMBOAT
MAN****NEW ORLEANS 4TH WARD; 7 Aug 1850***Page 219 - House 239 - family 252*

SANDS, JOHN 27 M NY CLERK

SANDS, EULALIE 26 F LA

NICHOLAS ALFRED 8 M LA

REYNOLDS, ANN 30 F IR

NEW ORLEANS 6TH WARD; 7 Nov 1850*Page 306 - House 3013 - family 4520*

BURNES, JOSE	28 M	SP	COFFEE
HOUSE			
BURNES, THERESA	21 F	LA	
BURNES, MARIE THERESA	2 F	LA	
BURNES, JOSEPH ALBERT	1 M	LA	
MARIE ALFRED	4/12 F	LA	
BARNIE, ANTONIA	- F	SP	
BENZ, JANTONIO	- M	GM	BARKEEPER
COURNEDU, THEODORE	15 M	LA	
COURNEDU, MARIANNE	12 F	LA	

POINTE COUPEE Parish**No town listed; 23 Aug 1850***Page 30B - House 515 - family 515*

ABRAHAM ALFORD	30 M	NY	PLANTER \$1000
LEONIE ALFORD	20 F	LA	
WILLIAM ALFORD	2 M	LA	

SABINE Parish**No town listed; 26 Aug 1850***Page 107 - House 29 - family 31*

JULIUS ALFORD	50 M	GA	FARMER \$800
ELIZABETH ALFORD	47 F	SC	
LAURA ALFORD	19 F	LA	
NANCY ALFORD	17 F	LA	
DICY ALFORD	15 F	LA	
MARTHA ALFORD	13 F	LA	
FRANCISS ALFORD	10 F	LA	
WILLIAM ALFORD	8 M	LA	
JOSEPH ALFORD	5 M	LA	
NORRIS, JASPER	22 M	GA	LABORER

Page 124 - House 301 - family 303

NEADHAM ALFORD	53 M	NC	FARMER \$3900
MARTHA ALFORD	52 F	SC	
WILLIAM ALFORD	18 M	LA	
JACOB ALFORD	15 M	LA	
NOEL ALFORD	12 M	LA	
JOHN ALFORD	7 M	LA	

No town listed; 12 Sept 1850*Page 124 B- House 302 - family 304*

THOMAS ALFORD	29 M	LA	FARMER \$400
JONATHAN ALFORD	38 M	SC	LABORER

**SAINT HELENA Parish
EASTERN DISTRICT; 13 Sept 1850***Page 201B - House 343 - family 343*

J.H. ALFORD	31 M	MS	FARMER \$700
AUGUSTA ALFORD	23 F	LA	
MARY ALFORD	3 F	LA	
ROBERT ALFORD	1 M	LA	
[might be ROBER P. ALFORD]			

WASHINGTON Parish**No town listed; 31 Oct 1850***Page 453 - House 228 - family 228*

JOSEPH OLFORD	34 M	LA	FARMER \$2500
_____ OLFORD	80 F	NC	

Page 453 - House 229 - family 229

JOHN OLFORD	40 M	LA	FARMER \$1500
M. OLFORD	35 F	LA	
MADISON OLFORD	13 M	LA	
MARSHALL OLFORD	12 M	LA	
JANE OLFORD	11 F	LA	
EMILY OLFORD	10 F	LA	
SARAH OLFORD	9 F	LA	
SEABORN OLFORD	8 M	LA	
S. OLFORD	7 F	LA	
WILLIS OLFORD	5 M	LA	
ISAAC OLFORD	4 M	LA	
JOHN OLFORD	1 M	LA	

[Editor's note: AAFA knows these people were ALFORDS—in this case, either the enumerator spelled the name incorrectly or the handwriting has been interpreted incorrectly. This is the case with almost all OLFORD spellings, which we find mainly in indexes and other lists.]

No town listed; 2 Nov 1850*Page 455 - House 252 - family 252*

IRA OLFORD	28 M	MS	FARMER \$700
ELIZABETH OLFORD	24 F	MS	
JANE OLFORD	5 F	LA	
JAMES OLFORD	4 M	LA	
NEWTON OLFORD	3 M	LA	
MARTHA OLFORD	1 F	LA	
BREADY, RUSSELL	27 M	LA	LABORER ❖

Part 1: Uncle Emmett, The Alford Farm and I

By Jack Kinabrew

Prologue

Uncle Emmett (William Emmett Alford, 1874–1937) influenced me as much as anyone I ever knew.

To explain how this came about, we will have to relate some family history.

Uncle Emmett was the son of Seaborn John Alford and his second wife, Mary Wadsworth (Kirk). Leander Raiford Alford was the son of Seaborn John and his first wife, Mary Catherine Felder. Leander married Sophronia Curtis Strickland.

When Mary Wadsworth Alford died, in 1887, she left four teenaged children. Leander and Sophronia took his stepbrothers and stepsister to live with them.

My paternal grandmother, Sarah Virginia Alford, was a daughter of Leander's. She married Thomas Jefferson Powell. Her oldest sister, Amanda, married James W. Kinabrew.

The Powells lived on a farm west of the Bogue Chitto River in Lincoln County, where my father was born. He was christened John Monroe Powell. When he was about four years old he had a toothache. They took him to a country dentist, who broke my father's jaw in pulling the offending tooth. It turned out that the dentist was tipsy at the time.

My grandparents rushed Monroe to Mc Comb, but the doctors there said that they could do nothing to repair the damage—it was beyond their capabilities—and recommended that they take him to Dr. G.M. Batchelor in New Orleans.

Dr. Batchelor said that he could wire

my father's jaw together but that it would take constant care in slacking off the wires as the boy grew. This was a dilemma. Grandma Powell was needed on the farm to raise the rest of her family; besides they didn't have the money to make frequent trips to the city.

So she went to see her sister, Amanda, and her brother-in-law who lived in New Orleans.

Jim Kinabrew ("Pops" to me) was a conductor on the Illinois Central Railroad. He was shot in a train robbery, the bullet lodged in his spine, and he was retired. He and Amanda ("Aunt Kinabrew") had two daughters only.

When Grandma Powell asked if my father could stay with them—mind you, this was a ten year commitment—they readily agreed. So Monroe moved to New Orleans and the (successful) treatment began.

When he became of school age, he was enrolled at McDonogh 14, just a few blocks away. Everyone knew him as "the Kinabrew boy." Pops would take him to Mississippi, on his ICRR pass, to see his family frequently.

The treatment came to an end at just about the time he was ready for high school. This time Pops and Aunt Kinabrew went to see my grandparents and told them that they had grown very attached to Monroe. They asked if he could continue to live with them, and promised him a good education.

This must have been a tough decision to make, but here was an opportunity for one of their children to get an education much superior to that afforded by country schools at the time. So they agreed.

They sent Monroe to Rugby Academy, for many years one of the city's finest schools. He could have gone on to college, but the company that he had been working for in the summer offered him a job and he took it.

Some years later, when he became engaged to my mother, he legally changed his name from Powell to Kinabrew.

Early Days

Meanwhile, the Alford Family Farm in Lincoln County adjoining Pike County, about six miles north of Summit, fell upon bad times. It had been in the family since the early 1800's, but now the family had lost interest in it and had moved away. A tornado had ripped across the place and destroyed the big house, the barns, etc.

Aunt Kinabrew had inherited the farm—I think no one else wanted the tax burden—and Uncle Emmett was looking after it. There were a few tenant farmers raising cotton.

Uncle Emmett was a bachelor. He had been a school teacher for a while. By the late 20's, when I first met him, he was in his fifties.

He loved to hunt and fish, but I am afraid that he was not much of a farmer. He worked hard, when he worked, but he didn't seem to have his heart in it.

The 1927 flood triggered a depression in Mississippi and Louisiana long before the stock market crashed.

Until 1928, my brother, Elmer, and I had been spending summers on the Gulf Coast or off at camp, but now there was no money for such luxuries. So Easter weekend, 1928, Uncle Emmett entered my life.

We drove up to McComb—what a trip that was!—and stayed at the old McColgan Hotel. Saturday we went out to the farm and met Uncle Emmett.

His usual attire was a blue denim long sleeved shirt, blue overalls, heavy leather work shoes without socks, and a frayed straw hat. Sundays, weddings and funerals, he wore shirt with collar, cuffs, and a tie, nicely creased pants with suspenders, and polished shoes and socks.

His hair was a grizzled gray with a bald pate. For reading, he wore steel rimmed glasses.

At that time he was living in a two room shack down the hill from where the big house had stood. It was built of one inch rough yellow pine boards with battens. It had a rough pine floor and an open fireplace for cooking. The roof was of rough cypress shingles.

When asked if we would like to spend the summer with Uncle Emmett, we jumped at the chance. To us it was a great adventure, but Mother was less than enthusiastic.

My father paid for adding another rough pine room and for a corrugated metal roof. But there was no running water or electricity, and the facilities consisted of a one-holer.

So, when school was out, we drove up to the farm. First thing was to get outfitted. Hyman's Mercantile, in Summit, supplied shirts, overalls, work shoes, and straw hats for everyday wear. Khaki shirts and pants did for Sunday wear and special occasions.

That first summer, and those that followed, was a revelation to a teenager born and raised in the city.

First, there was the water problem. There was no well at the shack, so we had to go up the hill a quarter of a mile to the well at the old house site. Then

we dropped the well bucket down the well, let it fill, and cranked it up again. It think those well buckets held about two gallons, but it seemed like one hundred pounds instead of sixteen to a raw city boy. Then we carried the water, two buckets at a time, back down the hill.

Thus I learned my first lesson—be sparing with water. We used it for cooking, drinking, brushing teeth, and washing hands and face. Bathing was done at the swimhole in the river, half a mile away, or in a galvanized wash tub with water carried from the well.

The New House—And More

After the first summer, my father and Aunt Kinabrew had a small, three bedroom house built on the site where the big house (that had blown away) had stood. It was one of those designs that the Southern Pine Association used to sell for a few dollars.

It was a nice little house, with an inside bathroom (but no running water yet), three bedrooms (one was really a sleeping porch), a living room, dining room, and kitchen (without water or gas).

Two fireplaces (and lots of blankets) kept us reasonably warm in winter. Kerosene lamps furnished light, until the REA lines finally reached us several years later. A battery radio kept us in touch with the rest of the world. It was many years until a phone was hooked up.

After the house was built and a well put down, several other improvements were made.

The largest was a new barn, built in the big pasture adjacent to the house. It was large enough to have stalls for mules, horses, and milk cows, plus a corn crib and a harness room, all on the

ground floor. Above all this was a loft, large enough to store a supply of hay to carry the stock through the winter.

Stacking the loft with bales of hay was a hard, hot, and dusty job. Lots of cool well water helped one get it done.

Mucking out the stalls was a never ending chore. The manure was piled up to rot, eventually ending up in the vegetable gardens or fields. All this was hot, dirty, and smelly, and always ended up with a visit to the swimhole.

A brick smokehouse was built. It had one door, no windows, and a vent in the roof which could be closed or opened as required. The floor was of sand, with a small hearth for a slow, smouldering fire of hickory or oak. Hams and sides of bacon were hung from the rafters and festoons of sausage draped on hooks.

The hams and bacon had to be rubbed with sugar and salt several times, not a bad job at all. The resulting products were absolutely delicious.

Another “improvement” (the quotation marks are Uncle Emmett's) was a nice chicken house with roosts and nests. Uncle Emmett distrusted chicken houses. He said that they attracted snakes, possums, and foxes to make off with his chickens and eggs.

Sure enough, one night we were awakened by a blast from Uncle Emmett's Iver Johnson shotgun. A possum had gotten into roost and killed two hens. We plucked chickens for an hour while Uncle Emmett skinned the possum.

Next morning, he boarded up the chicken house and the flock resumed roosting in the gum trees, laying eggs in nests in the barn. ❖

To be continued in the next issue.

Part 9: Descendants of Alexander Alvord

From *A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, An Early Settler of Windsor, Conn., and Northampton, Mass.*, by Samuel Morgan Alvord (Webster, NY: 1908), pages 43–45. For background see *AAFA ACTION* Fall 1993, page 43.

The text has been minimally edited. Samuel Alvord sequentially numbered all descendants of male Alvords. We added a “+” before a child’s number if his line is carried forward in the next generation.

THIRD GENERATION

14. THOMAS² ALVORD (Thomas², Alexander¹), born Northampton, Mass., August 28, 1683; died Chatham, Conn., December 29, 1768 (date of funeral); married 1st Northampton, Mass., January 3, 1705/6, Esther Parsons, daughter of Capt. John and Sarah (Clark) Parsons. She was drowned Northampton, Mass., October 3, 1707. He married 2nd Mary Strong, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Stebbins) Strong. She was born Northampton, Mass., December 29, 1690. Res. Northampton, Mass and Middletown, Conn.

Children: (All born at Northampton, Mass.)

- +52 i. Thomas Alvord, Mass., May 18, 1710.
- +53 ii. Jonathan Alvord, November 16, 1711.
- +54 iii. Aaron Alvord, Mass., July 16, 1713.
- +55 iv. Seth Alvord, November 13, 1714.
- +56 v. Elisha Alvord, June 19, 1717.
- +57 vi. Asahel Alvord, December 16, 1720.
- +58 vii. Mary Alvord, September 3, 1724.

Thomas Alvord of Northampton, Mass., February 26, 1722/3 conveyed:

“Unto John Pomeroy, land in ye township of Northampton in ye Division of Commons this side Munham River, bounded Westerly upon ye country road; Northerly upon ye land that was Richard Burk’s. Easterly upon ye Highway; Southerly upon land that was Richard Webb’s.”

“March 6, 1724/5 Thomas Alvord of Northampton to Thomas Creece of Boston 300 acres of land lying between Hadley & Brookfield in a tract of land known by Equivalent land; part of it called Cold Spring: Beginning at a tree on Pond Hill, etc.”

“Know all men by these presents that I, Thomas Alvord, of Middletown in the County of Hartford and Colony of Connecticut in New England in American for the Consideration of the Sum of five pounds Lawful money to me in hand paid by Thomas Alvoard Jun-r of sd Middletown The Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge Do Give, Grant, bargin Sell and Confirm to him the sd Thomas Alvord Junior his heirs & Assigns forever All that Tract of Land* in the Township of Fall Town in the County of Hampshire & Province of Massachusetts Bay which was granted to me the sd Thomas Alvord by the General Assembly of sd Province as Eldest Male Heir of my Father Thomas Alvord of Northampton in the County of Hampshire aforesd then at

* In 1734 the General Court of Mass. granted land to those who had served under Capt. Turner in 1676 at Deerfield and to the representatives of those deceased. Thomas Alvord of Middleton, claimant, eldest son of Thomas, was given preference in the grant. He agreed to settle in the township in 1738. In the drawing Thomas Alvord received homelot No. 58. In his absence the clerk was instructed to draw for him.

the time of sd Grant Deceased; To Have to him the sd Thomas Alvord Junior his heirs & assigns forever, etc.
June 25, 1763 THOMAS ALVORD

& seal
In Presence of John Alvord Titus
Hosmer Middletown June 28, 1763”
Acknowledged, Recorded Hampshire Co., Vol V. V. 167. Sept. 28, 1763

Conveyance by heirs of Thomas Alvord:

“Thomas Alvord of Mittletown, Seth Alvord, Jabez Woods & Mary his wife of Chatam in the County of Hartford & Jonathan Alvord of Winchester in the County of Litchfield all in the State of Connecticut, & Asahel Alvord of Cornwall in Litchfield County & State aforesaid and Mary Alvord, David Nichols and Hanah his wife of the aforesaid state All in the State of Connecticut being Heirs of Thomas Alvord late of said Middletown now Chatham deceased. For divers good causes etc. especially for the sum of five pounds Lawful money quit claim unto Ebenezer Warner of Belchertown in the County of Hampshire Inn holder all our right and title unto twenty-five acres of land in Belchertown etc.

“In witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands & seals the 2d day of October, 1780.

“Signed and Sealed and delivered in Presence of John Clark, Thomas Alvord, Ephriam Cade, John Clark, Thomas Alvord, Joseph Dart, Elizabeth Alvord, Eliphaz Alvord, Judah Kellog, Benjamin Jennings, Eunice Wakeman her + mark, Peter Hull, George Burr, Chatham, Co. of Hartford, Oct. 2, 1780. Vol. XVII, 268, Oct. 2 1780 p. 1780

SIGNERS:

Thomas Alvord & seal Mary Wood & seal, her + mark, Seth Alvord & seal, Jabez Wood & seal, Jonathan Alvord & seal, Asahel Alvord & seal, David

Nichols & Seal, Hannah Nichols & seal, her + mark, Mary Alvord & seal her + mark.

“Chauncy Beach, Catharine Beach, John Carr and Mehitable Carr, his wife, and Lucy Alvord; all of Goshen, Litchfield Co., Conn. & Mary Knapp, of Redding, Fairfield Co., Conn., John Alvord of said State, Obed Alvord of Colchester, Hartford Co., Conn., heirs of Thomas Alford, formerly of Middletown, Conn., deceased; in consideration of five pounds, forever quit claim unto Ebenezer Warner of Belchertown, Hampshire Co., Mass., all our right, title, etc., we have in twenty-five acres of land in Belchertown bounded, etc.

“We have set our hands and seals this sixth day of Oct. A.D., 1780.

“John Carr and seal, Chauncy Beach & seal, Obed Alvord and seal, Lucy Alvord her + mark, Mehitable Carr and seal, John Alvord & seal, Mary Knapp and seal— Mary Knapp, one of the signers, is daughter of

Elisha Alvord, dec.” (Hamp. Co. Reg. Deeds, Vo. XVII, 244, Oct. 17, 1780.)

The first deed of property to Thomas Alvord recorded at Middletown, Conn., is dated April 28, 1726, Robert Coe for 25 deeds twelve acres of land in the southernmost tear or range of lots to Thomas Alvord, “now a resident of Middletown.” bounded, E. and N. by highway, S. by land of Robert Coe, W. by land of Moses Parsons. The grantee was given two years in which to pay the price of the land or forfeit the same. Later grants were also on west side of the river. With his wife, Mary, he joined the first church in Middletown by letter from Northampton, Mass., March 16, 1729. Thomas Strong, Mrs. Alvord’s father, had moved to Durham, Conn., previous to this time, which undoubtedly led Thomas Alvord to the neighboring locality.

While living in Northampton, Thomas

Alvord was a garison “soulder” in the Meadow Fight at Deerfield in Feb., 1703/4, being one of the eight men to go from Northampton to aid the inhabitants of Deerfield against the Indians. In 1723 he signed a petition at Northampton to sustain the commissioners in the matter of changing the course of Mill River. He owned the house, barn and hatter’s shop which about 1730 went into possession of Dr. Ebr. Hunt. In 1724 he received 4 for ringing the bell at Northampton.

March 31, 1767 Thomas Alvord of Middletown conveyed to his son Thomas all his property, “having been supported by him for several years and bound to be for the residue of life.” His death was due to “the infirmities of old age.”

Thomas Alvord’s first wife was drowned in company with her brother. The boat upset. They clung to it for a time, but no help reached them and they were both drowned. ❖

Lodwick and Katherine Alford in Hall of Fame

Last year at the AAFA meeting in St. Francisville, LA, AAFA President Ben Alford read the following declaration:

Whereas, the Alford American Family Association was established in 1987 for the broad purposes of:

- 1. Collecting, recording, preserving, disseminating and perpetuating biographical data and historical information on Alford and their ancestors.*
 - 2. Educating members, particularly those of the younger generations, on Alford family history and how it relates to the history of our nation.*
 - 3. Furthering fellowship and camaraderie within the living Alford family.*
- and Whereas, the Board of Directors*

of the said Association are desirous of recognizing those individuals who have most contributed to furthering the broad purposes of the Association, and

Whereas, in your capacity first as President of the Association from 1987 to 1991 and then as the first and, to date, only Chairman of the Board of Directors, you have consistently led the Association in growth and accomplishments far beyond those expected when you participated in the establishment of the organization in 1986–87, and

Whereas, because of your devotion and achievements, you are commended in the highest words of fulsome praise and the Board of Directors is pleased to announce your and your late wife Katherine’s induction into the Alford American

Family Association HALL OF FAME.

Your outstanding accomplishments in promoting the goals of AAFA are exemplary and are in the highest and finest traditions of the ancient, proud, honorable and illustrious name of ALFORD. We are especially pleased that you and Kay are the first couple to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Your contribution has been more meaningful because of the sacrifices that had to be made considering the physical condition of Kay over these past several years.

I therefore set my hand and seal this 9th day of October in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Three.

*Benjamin Franklin Alford, Jr.
President, AAFA ❖*

Virginia Alford's – The New Kent County Years

By Gil Alford, Executive Director

In an earlier issue I covered about all we know to date about the Alford's of Virginia up until about 1700 except that I skipped over the Alford's of New Kent County. From all we have been able to find so far, the New Kent County Alford's were the most prominent or conspicuous Alford group during the first 100 or 120 years. It is also my conclusion that there are few cases in which the family occupied an area in such numbers and then moved completely away in just a couple generations. Our first record of Alford's in New Kent County was the 1682 land transaction mentioned in *AAFA ACTION*, Spring 1994, p. 53. As well as we know, they were all gone by 1740.

New Kent County was not one of the original counties. It was established in 1654 from York County. At that time it was about the largest county in the colony extending, like all western counties, indefinitely to the west. Its bounds were "from the west side of Skimeno Creek to the heads of Pamunkey and Mattaponi Rivers and down to the head of the west side of Poropotank Creek." In 1691 King and Queen County was cut from New Kent taking the bigger portion of the land. It left, for the early period of our ancestors, a narrow strip west of James City County and between King and Queen on the north and Henrico and Charles City on the south. By the time the Alford's left, most of the western part of the county had been used to establish Hanover County.

St. Peter's Parish was established sometime during 1678 by the Vestry of Blisland Parish. It was confirmed by the General Court April 29, 1679. At the time it was established, St. Peter's Parish was bounded on the northeast by the ridge between the Pamunkey

and the Mattaponi Rivers, on the south-east by John's (or Jack's) Creek (north of the Pamunkey) and by a line beginning at Capt. Basset's Landing Creek (south of Pamunkey), and on the southwest by the ridge between the Pamunkey and Chickahominy Rivers. There was no boundary established on the northwest side, the parish extending in that direction, theoretically speaking, indefinitely. In 1704 St. Peter's was divided with the upper or northwestern portion becoming St. Paul's Parish. The dividing line was Matadequin Creek, which in 1720 became also the dividing line between New Kent County and newly created Hanover County. Earlier that portion that fell in King and Queen County, when established in 1691, became a part of St. John's Parish.

There were two churches in St. Peter's Parish in 1685. They were known as the Upper church and the Lower church. Both churches were known by a number of different names and both, at one time or another, were known as "St. Peter's Church." In March 1688 the vestry ordered that the Upper Church be repaired. Two months later they rescinded their action and ordered that a new Upper Church be built. This church, constructed of wood, was completed in 1690. According to county tradition it was located on the Pamunkey River in what is now Hanover County "about three miles east of the present village of Old Church."

Just where Lower Church, stood is not known. All that can be said with certainty on the subject is that it was located at no great distance from Black Creek, which empties into the Pamunkey not far from the present Tunstall Station, on the Southern Railway, and probably to the southeast of the stream. This church was used regularly until 1703, when the present

St. Peter's Church was completed and opened for service.

These comments about the church come from the introduction in *The Vestry Book and Register of St. Peter's Parish**1. The church is the same one in which events of our Alford ancestors were recorded during their sojourn in New Kent County. That church is still in use today and will be one of the points of interest on one of the tours arranged for our Richmond meeting.

Bobby Pace Alford, in his recent book *The Alford Family of Lawrence Co., TN*,*2 provides his ESTIMATED ALFORD LINEAGE 1475-1915. It goes as follows: John¹ 1475, Rev. Alexander² 1500, John³ 1530, John⁴ 1553, John⁵ 1580, Richard⁶ 1598, Lt. Col. William⁷ killed 1674, John⁸ died 1709—and continue on below.

The two senior Alford's of this area seemed to be JOHN ALFORD and WILLIAM ALFORD. It is quite probable that they were brothers.*3 WILLIAM ALFORD died 11 February 1709/10 [Register, p. 419] and JOHN ALFORD died 14 March 1709/10 [Register, p. 419].

According to the Register, John was the most visible. It begins with the granting of the land to him in 1682, first in April and then in September. It appears that he was originally, in three separate actions, granted 910 acres of land but later "defaulted" on the last 150 acres received. JOHN ALFORD prevailed there for about 28 years—probably looked at as the family patriarch. The following are the events in his life recorded in the Register.

JOHN ALFORD SR.

1686 "To Jno: Alferd for nursing a barsterd Child untill ye 17 day of Desember next 1000"—payment in

“tobb & Cask” [Register, p. 7]

June 1687 “To Mr: Jno: Alford for nursing a bastard Child 1000” [Register, p. 11]

Oct 1687 “It is ordered that Mr. Jno: Allford now haveing a bastart Child in keeping and haveing Recd: two thousand ll : of tobb: and Ck, doth now discharge ye Parish from ye sam [] and is Likewise ordered by this vestry to keep the Sd: Child to serve according to Law and to discharge the Parish from ye Same. [Register, p. 13]

Nov 1688 “To Mr: Alferd for dyeting ye Glasier foure dayes 0030.” [Register, p. 17]

May 1689 “The severall p’sons names in Companys yt: were ordered to possesion*4 & Remark ye bounds of each mans Land Viz: ... Mr: Allford ...” [Register, p. 20]

Oct 1698 “mr John Alford aploying him Selve to this vestrey for helping to Cleer the Roades in his prescits: is ordered all the tithables which formerly belonged to David Clarkson and within his prescits.” [Register, p. 62]

Oct 1701 “whereas mr John Alford and mr will major mad [] Complaint to this vestrey that they have never had their Lands possessioned*4 according to Law the orders being Lodged in the hands of Coll John Lightfoot who never put the Same in Execution Therefore ordered that John wilson John Lightfood Esqr mr will major mr John Alford Danll Park Esqr and william millington*5 forth with goe on prosessioning*4 and rea marke Each others bounds and make returne of this order to the next vestrey.” [Register, pp. 81–82]

“William Hodkison servant of Mr : Jno: Alfords Deceased some time in may, 1708” [Register, p. 432]

“Jno: Alford Senr. Departed this Life

March ye: 14th: 1709/10.” [Register, p. 419]

It is possible that some of the later events above were actually those of JOHN ALFORD [Jr.] who was also very prominent in the community during his rather short lifetime, dying only 12 years after JOHN ALFORD Sr.

JOHN ALFORD [JR]

Nov 1713 “To Mrs. Alford for Keeping Mary Design & her Child 4 Mon 0400.” [Register, p. 156]

“Higins son of John Axford Baptised 7br [September] ye 19th, 1714.” [Register, p. 354]

Dec 1714 “To Mrs: Alford for Keeping Mary Design & Child &c. 1400.” [Register, p. 159]

Apr 1715 “Richard Brooker Appeared at this Vestry and Agreed to Keep Mary Design for one year for Three hundred pounds of Tobc Provided Mrs: Alford Do not Keep her for ye. same.” [Register, p. 162]

Nov 1715 “To Mrs: Alford for Keeping Mary Design 00688.” [Register, p. 163]

“ffrances Daughter of Jno. Alford Born 8br [October] ye 4th, 1717.” [Register, p. 449 and 450]

Nov 1717 “To Jno. Alford for Mary Design &c 300” [Register, p. 164]

Nov 1717 “To Jno. Alford for Carrying away Rebb: Barber 600” [Register, p. 164]

“Cuffee A Negro of Jno. Alford Born June ye 22d, 1719.” [Register, p. 450]

“Elisabeth Daughter of Jno: Alford Born July ye 1st, 1719.” [Register, p. 450]

“Lucy a negro belonging to Jno Alford born June 22, 1721.” [Register, p. 450]

“Unity Daughter of [John] Alford & Grace born 16 Decr at 3 morn: 1724.” [Register, p. 451 & conclusion]

“Charity Dau [twin sister of Unity] sd: born 16 of Decemr at noon, 17[24].” [Register, p. 451 & conclusion—this entry follows the preceding entry immediately; text in brackets is blank in the Register, apparently illegible]

“Jenny a negro girl of Jno Alford born Janry, 1725/6.” [Register, p. 451]

“Jno Alford Dyed May ye second, 1726” [Register, p. 420]

“Tom a negro belonging to Grace Alford Dyed May 15th, 1726.” [Register, p. 420]

JAMES ALFORD

As soon as John Alford Sr died, it appears that James Alford became the Alford leader of the community.

1710 “To James Alfords Acct. Allow’d for Keeping a psh [parish?] Child 0420”—payment in “Lb Tobco” [Register, p. 143]

“James son of James Alford Born ffebruary ye 7th: Xned [Christened] April 12, 1713.” [Register, p. 354]

Nov 1713 “James Alfords Bill 350.” [Register, p. 156]

“Warren son of James Alford Baptised August ye 28th, 1715.” [Register, p. 354]

“Julius son of James Alford Born in September, 1717.” [Register, p. 449]

September 1718 “Ordered That Mr: Thomas Butts and Mr: Wm Waddill are Desired to Divide ye: Tythables in Each of ye: Lower Precincts Between Thomas Jackson and James Alford

Surveyers of ye: Highways.” [Register, p. 168]

September 1721 “To James Alford for an Overlist 76 1/2” [Register, p. 180]

Oct 5, 1735 “At the Petition of Wm. Paisley an Overseer of the High Road from the Old Church to Mr Chamberlaynes Ordinary, That we have Wm. Atkinsons Tithables*6, Stephen Brooker, Lodowick Alford, Goodrich Alford, and Julius Alford, Micha. Harfields Tiths Richd. Ross Majr. Dandridge’s, John Lightfoots, & Colo. Custis’s Tiths at the old Quarr. and upon the River.” [Register, p. 246]

First Generation

Based on the above, Boddie, in *Historical Southern Families Vol XII*, drew the following (paraphrased) conclusions:

1 JOHN ALFORD of New Kent County, VA, who first appears in that county in 1682, was almost certainly identical with the JOHN ALFORD who in 1681 stated that he had the will of Richard Adams in his keeping (York Co. D. & W. 1675-84, p. 472), and may be the JOHN ALFORD who was granted land in Warwick Co. in 1664 (Nugent, *Cavaliers and Pioneers*, p. 440). The father of JOHN ALFORD may have been Lieut. Col WILLIAM ALFORD, probably of Warwick or Elizabeth City Cos. but it is uncertain, since the early records of these counties have been destroyed. He was murdered in 1674 [see *AAFA ACTION*, Spring 1994, p. 54]. WILLIAM ALFORD signed a power of attorney to Alexander Moore in 1671 in York Co., one of the witnesses being JAMES ALFORD, probably another son (York Co., Book 5, 1671-94, p. 26). [We definitely need to learn more about this JAMES ALFORD.]

The name of the wife of JOHN ALFORD of New Kent Co. is unknown, though she appears in St.

Peter’s Parish Register as “Mrs. Alford” through 1715, being paid for maintaining an indigent woman and her child. JOHN ALFORD was paid for this service in 1717, indicating that his mother Mrs. Alford, had died about 1716.

The children of JOHN ALFORD and his wife, as gathered from St. Peter’s Parish Register, were as follows:

- i. ELIZABETH ALFORD, married 3 November 1698 Jacob Winfrey [Register, p. 418] and had six children.
- + 2 ii. JAMES ALFORD, was probably born about 1685-90, and died in New Kent Co., between 1721(his last appearance in the records of St. Peter’s Parish) and 1735, when his sons Lodwick, Julius and Goodrich are shown as tithables, but he is not mentioned. His wife’s name is unknown.)
- iii. WILLIAM ALFORD who died 11 February 1709/10 probably unmarried. [Boddie and I disagree here.]
- iv. MARY ALFORD who married 21 October 1711 Robert Wood [Register, p. 418], and had a son.
- + 3 v. JOHN ALFORD who married Grace and died before 14 February 1726/7, when his widow married Michael Harfield [Register, p. 413]. [The Register, p. 420, shows he died 2 May 1726.]
- vi. ISAAC ALFORD died 21 August 1723. [Boddie did not place Isaac here and he may belong elsewhere; however, his death record in the Register, p. 420, identifies him as the son of John Alford.]

Second Generation

2 JAMES ALFORD had the following children:

- + 4 i. LODWICK ALFORD, born about 1705-10. Before he moved to North Carolina he married first to Elizabeth, who died 29 May 1735 and then to Susannah.
- + 5 ii. GOODRICH ALFORD, born about 1708-12, married Sarah and had three children. He moved to North Carolina with the family where he died in 1753.
- iii. JAMES ALFORD born February 1713.
- iv. WARREN ALFORD born 1715.
- v. JULIUS ALFORD born September 1717, married Lucy and had children born in NC.

3 JOHN ALFORD and Grace had the following children:

- i. FRANCES ALFORD born 1717 and died 27 April 1726.
- ii. UNITY ALFORD born 16 December 1724, twin of Charity.
- iii. CHARITY ALFORD born 16 December 1724, twin of Unity.

Third Generation

4 LODWICK ALFORD had the following children before leaving St. Peter’s Parish:

- i. WILLIAM ALFORD born 31 July 1734 [Register, p. 517—“Son of Lodowick and Elizabeth”].
- ii. ELIZABETH ALFORD born 22 December 1736 [Register, p. 534—“Daughter of Lodowick and Susanna”].
- iii. JACOB ALFORD born 12 December 1738 [Register, p. 549—“Daughter of Lodowick and Susanna”].

5 GOODRICH ALFORD had the following children before leaving St. Peter’s Parish:

- i. SARAH ALFORD born 1733 [Register, p. 511—“Daughter of Goodrich & Sarah”].

- ii. LUCY ALFORD born 25 February 1737 [Register, p. 536—"Daughter of Goodrich and Sarah"].
- iii. SUSANNA ALFORD born 5 October 1739 [Register, p. 555—"Daughter of Goodrich and Sarah"].

The next segment on this family picks up in North Carolina a few years later. For further reading see *AAFA ACTION*, March 1990, p. 14 and June 1990, p. 49.

We have other Alford's who were in counties to the west and northwest. Look for an article by myself or Lynn Shelley in a later issue.

Footnotes

*1 C.G. Chamberlayne, transcriber and editor. *The Vestry Book and Register of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent and James City Counties, Virginia, 1706-*

1786. Richmond, VA: Virginia State Library and Archives, 1937; reprint edition, 1989. (The Vestry met periodically, like a court or jury, often ordering payment for a service, and its actions were recorded in the Vestry Book. The Register represents church records.) This source referred to hereafter as "Register."

*2 Available from Bobby Alford, 1106 Hickory St., Lawrence TN 38464—75 pages plus index and appendix—\$10 plus \$1 postage.

*3 Boddie makes William to be the son of John. More about Boddie later.

*4 The term being used here is undoubtedly "procession" or "processioning" which according to Blackstone's Law Dictionary is "A Survey and inspection of boundaries periodically performed in some of the American colonies by the local authorities. ... and was superseded by the introduction of the practice of accurate surveying and of recording."

*5 Note the reference to William Millington. It was he who shared with John Alford the land he received in 1682.

*6 Both of the following are from Blackstone's Law Dictionary. "TITHING. One of the civil divisions of England, being a portion of that greater division called a 'hundred.' It was so called because ten freeholders with their families composed one. It is said that they were all knit together in one society, and bound to the king for the peaceable behavior of each other. In each of these societies there was one chief or principal person, who, from his office, was called 'teothing-man,' now 'tithing-man.' Brown" "TITHING-MAN. (Modern Law) A constable. 'After the introduction of justices of the peace, the offices of constable and tithing-man became so similar that we now regard them as precisely the same.' Willc. Const. Intro." ❖

Inquiries

Charles Alford of Bowman's Station, KY

Nancy Foley Johnson
1097 Chinoe Rd.
Lexington, KY 40502

"I am writing in regard to a newly formed group of descendants of the settlers of one of our early stations in KY, Bowman's Station. One of the settlers was Charles Alford. There were thirty or so other families involved and we are in the process of trying to locate descendants...."

I was wondering if possibly you might have [members] who might be related to Charles Alford. If they are direct descendants of this Charles, they would qualify as Charter Members if they join before the time of our second

meeting on September 30–October 1, 1994. We also have many associate members made up of those who descend from siblings of the settlers...."

Allen Alford Staples, AAFA #548, is a descendant of Charles Alford. If any other members are related to this line, they are encouraged to get in touch with Nancy Johnson.

William Charles Alvord, Baseball Player

Richard A. Puff [Not AAFA]
P.O. Box 551
Slingerlands, NY 12159

"I am a member of the SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN BASEBALL RESEARCH (SABR), a nonprofit group

that does all kinds of research on baseball history and the players. One of the committees is attempting to compile full biographical data on all 14,000+ major league players since 1871. William Charles Alvord is one of those for whom we are missing complete birth and death information.

He was born in St. Louis, Missouri in August 1863. As a professional player he made stops in St. Louis in 1885; Kansas City in 1889; Toledo in 1890; Cleveland and Washington in 1891; and Cleveland in 1893. He also might have spent some time in Sacramento, CA in 1893 or 1890.

While the specifics of birth and death are the most desired information, anything and everything will be much appreciated." ❖

Alfords at D-Day

By Gil Alford, Executive Director

HOLLIS MAURY ALFORD

If you watched television at all during the early part of June, you saw the many white crosses in the military cemeteries in France. If you had looked closely you would have seen the name above on one of them. He was not killed in the D-day invasion but a couple of months later.

Hollis was the first husband of Mrs. William C. (Phyllis) Alford, AAFA #631. William C. Alford was a younger brother to Hollis M. Alford. After William's first wife, Elizabeth Russell, died in 1984, Bill married his widowed sister-in-law, Phyllis Hughes Alford in 1985. Many readers already know another AAFA couple who had a similar experience—Bob and Maxine Alford, AAFA #207, of Texas. Through AAFA these two couples have made contact and met and visited in Hot Springs, AR.

Hollis was born 11 October 1913 in Tangipahoa Parish, LA, the son of James W. Alford and Mamie Bennett. He is a cousin of all of us who descend from Jacob Alford, born 1761 in NC. Hollis married Phyllis Hughes on 28 December 1941. They resided in Roseland, Tangipahoa Parish, and New Orleans, LA. Hollis was in the CCC and worked as a plumber and auto salesman. Like most in that area he was Baptist.

S/Sgt. Hollis M. Alford—1944

Hollis and Phyllis had one daughter, Mary Lou Alford, who was born 6 April 1943 in Roseland. She married Isidro Caceres on 21 January 1962 in Amite, Tangipahoa Parish, and they have three children.

Hollis was a staff sergeant in the 9th Infantry, 2nd Division. He went into service in early 1941 and had been overseas since late in 1943.

On 28 August 1944 Phyllis received this Western Union telegram: "THE SECRETARY OF WAR DESIRES THAT I TENDER HIS DEEP SYMPATHIES TO YOU IN THE LOSS OF YOUR HUSBAND STAFF SERGENT [*sic*] HOLLIS M ALFORD WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION REPORT NOW RECEIVED STATES HE WAS KILLED IN ACTION TWO AUGUST IN FRANCE LETTER FOLLOWS."

On 20 December 1944 Phyllis received a letter from the War Department:

Your letter of 1 October 1944, addressed to the Chaplain of the organization to which your husband, Staff Sergeant Hollis M. Alford, belonged, has been forwarded to this office for reply.

The distress you have suffered since you received the sad announcement of your husband's death is understandable and, realizing your desire to know the attending circumstances, I wish to advise you that an additional report has been received in the War Department. This

William C. and Phyllis (Hughes) Alford

report state s that Sergeant Alford was instantly killed in action, on 2 August 1944, by machine gun fire, while performing his duties as a platoon guide with his company, in the vicinity of La Favrie France. The report further states your husband was a very good soldier and his death was a great loss to his company.

The Quartermaster General, Washington 25 D.C., has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the burial of our military personnel who die overseas and any inquiry, regarding the location of your husband's grave may be addressed to that official.

I realize how futile any words of mine may be to assuage your grief but I trust that the knowledge of your husband's heroic sacrifice in action may be a source of sustaining comfort.

You have my heartfelt sympathy in your bereavement.

Sincerely yours,
Robert H. Dunlop
Brigadier General,
Acting The Adjutant General

It was later learned that he was killed crossing the Vire River with his company near St. Lo. Hollis was buried in the U.S. Military Cemetery, St. Laurent Sur Mer, France. The cemetery sits above Omaha Beach and looks over the English Channel. In 1984 Phyllis, her daughter Mary Lou Alford Caceres, Mary Lou's husband Isidro, and their children Simone, Keith, and Kirk visited Isidro's family in Dreux, France. While in France they visited the cemetery. Phyllis wrote that upon arrival they were met by an American tour guide, who picked up a small sand bucket with sand and a cloth and escorted them to one of the 9,386 crosses of white Italian marble. He stopped at one of the crosses, rubbed it with some of the sand and then used the cloth to brush the sand off. Gold letters began to appear:

Hollis M. Alford
S/Sgt. 9 Inf. 2 Div. Louisiana
Aug 2, 1944

Phyllis sent two newspaper obituaries from unnamed, undated sources:

S-SGT HOLLIS ALFORD IS REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION IN FRANCE

S/Sgt. Hollis M. Alford who was reported missing in action in France is now reported killed, according to official wire received by his wife, Mrs. Phyllis Hughes Alford of Roseland. The report stated that he was killed on August 2, and that further information will follow in a letter from the War Department.

S/Sgt. Alford was 32 years old, born near Kentwood on October 13, 1911. He has been in service for three and a

half years, and has been overseas for the past ten months.

He is survived by his wife and their 16-months old daughter Mary Lou, his mother Mrs. Mamie Alford, his grandmother Mrs. Loren Bennett, and by the following three brothers and one sister: Loren and Otis Alford of New Orleans, W.C. Alford of Arcola, and Mrs. Norman Courtney of Amite. He was a son of the late Jim Alford formerly of the Mt. Hermon community.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT ARCOLA CEMETERY FOR S/SGT. HOLLIS ALFORD

Memorial services for S/Sgt. Hollis M. Alford were held at the Arcola cemetery Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. T.H. Daffin, pastor of the Amite and Arcola Presbyterian churches conducted the rites, and a choir from the Arcola church furnished special music. Two hymns, Faith of our Fathers and Love Divine, were used.

Unveiling of a stone erected to the memory of Sgt. Alford formed a part of the service. The unveiling was done by Emmett Corkern, former technical sergeant in the Army, and intimate friend of the deceased and his family.

Sgt. Alford was killed in action at Cherbourg, France, on August 2, 1943, and is buried at St. Laurent Ser Mer [sic] memorial cemetery in France.

Among the relatives attending the service were Sgt. Alford's little daughter, Mary Lou, his wife the former Phyllis Hughes, his mother Mrs. Mamie Alford, and his grandmother Mrs. Loren Bennett, together with a large number of other relatives and friends of the family.

JOHN WESLEY ALFORD

The following newspaper article, probably printed in the *McComb Enterprise-Journal*, was sent by Claude Alford, AAFA #17. There are several John Wesley Alfords, but we believe this must be the one who was born 1919 and married Sarah Fortenberry. He was the son of Arthur Alonzo Alford and Maude Painter.

John Wesley Alford, now a resident of Mt. Hermon, La., left McComb for the Army on Sept. 26, 1940 and arrived in England in January 1944, he wrote the Enterprise-Journal. He was a member of E Company, 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division.

As D-Day approached, "We were put in a restricted area," he wrote. "Stayed there until time to get on the troop ship. We did not know when we would go to France. Told we would know the night before.

"We all had steak supper and all the trimmings. After the meal we had church services and The Lord's Supper. About midnight we got off the troop ship to the landing

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Was Archibald Offert an Alford?

By Lynn Shelley, AAFA #484

It has been suggested that Archibald Offert who purchased land in Georgia in 1782 was a possible father for Isham Alford. A strong case against this hypothesis is presented in this article.

Use of the name BALDY for one of Isham's sons was the possible reason for this. Although a William Alford was present in Georgia prior to 1785, it is not known if he was a resident or simply in the military there (*GEORGIA CITIZENS AND SOLDIERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION*, p. 128). James Alford (b. ca 1740 NC), son of Lodwick Alford Sr., who went to Georgia to survey newly ceded Indian lands about 1785 was the earliest known Alford resident of Georgia found thus far.

The following information indicates the presence of those with the surname OFFUTT in the Richmond County (and later Columbia County) area of Georgia before 1780. This was spelled several different ways but never "Alford" or one of its recognized alternative spellings. The earliest Archibald Alford may have been Isham's son if indeed the name "Baldy" even is a derivative of Archibald. This son Baldy Alford was born in December 1787, probably soon after the arrival of Isham's family in Georgia. Isham had proved a deed from James Alford to Julius Alford in Franklin County, NC, December 1786. He witnessed a deed in Wilkes County, GA, in January 1788.

OFFUTT, OFFETT, OFFERT, OFFATT in Early Georgia

• From *GEORGIA CITIZENS AND SOLDIERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION* by Robert S. Davis Jr.

1780 EZEKILE OFFUTT (Capt)
and before JESSEY AND NATHANIEL OFFUTT
Officers of the 3rd Co. of GA militia under
Col. Wm. Candler who fled Richmond Co. GA
in Sept 1780 until 1781 when Augusta was
retaken.

• From *THE REVOLUTIONARY RECORDS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, VOL 1*, Georgia General Assembly

1782 ARCHIBALD OFFERT bought 100 acres on
Kiokas (listed by Jim Alford as being in
Columbia Co. but Columbia was formed from
Richmond Co. in 1790

• From *GEORGIA REVOLUTIONARY BOUNTY LAND RECORDS*, by Mary Bondurant Warren

1784	OFFUTT/OFFATT EZEKIEL	Washington Co.
	(moved to Franklin)	
	OFFUTT/OFFATT JESSE	Washington Co.
	OFFUTT/OFFATT JOHN	Washington Co.
	OFFUTT/OFFATT NATHANIEL	Washington Co.

• From *INDEX TO THE HEADRIGHT AND BOUNTY GRANTS OF GEORGIA 1756-1909*, by Silas Emmett Lucas Jr.

1785	OFFUTT, EZEKIEL	Franklin Co.
1786	OFFUTT, EZEKIEL	Washington Co.
1787	OFFETT, EZEKIEL	Richmond Co.
1785	OFFUTT, JESSE	Richmond Co.
1813	OFFUTT, JESSE	Columbia Co.
1785	OFFUTT, JNO.	Washington Co.
1794	OFFUTT, LETTICE	Columbia Co.
1787	OFFUTT, NATHANIEL	Richmond Co.
1815	OFFUTT, SAMPSON	Washington Co.
1819	OFFUTT, SAMPSON	Washington Co.
1800	OFFUTT, WM. I.	Columbia Co.

Georgia Land Lotteries

• From *INFORMATION ON SOME GEORGIA PIONEERS*, by Maddox

1805	OFFETT, EZEKIEL RS Jackson Co., married Jemima Wilkins 1788 in Richmond Co., may be son of Ezekiel RS OFFUTT, JESSE RS Columbia Co., married Obedience Jones OFFUTT, FRANCES second wife of John Goldwire, Sr. in Effingham Co., married 1809, he died 1814
1807	OFFUTT, JESSE Columbia Co. Drew land in Wilkinson Co.
1820	OFFUTT, JESSE Columbia Co. Drew land in Early Co.
1821	OFFUTT, ARCHIBALD Columbia Co. Drew land in Dooly Co. OFFUTT, OBEDIENCE Columbia Co. Drew land in Monroe Co. (widow) OFFUTT, WM. E. Columbia Co. Drew land in Dooly Co.
1827	None
1832	? (Do not have lists)

• From *EARLY RECORDS OF GEORGIA, WILKES COUNTY*, by Grace Gillam Davidson

- 2 Oct 1787 Samuel Criswell and EZEKIEL OFFUTT to Thomas Gordon 2900 acres on S Fork Broad River on Franklin Co. line
- 1819 Land Lottery participant LETITIA OFFUTT, Widow, Wilkes Co, Hollidays Dist. 1 draw

• From *AN INDEX TO GEORGIA TAX DIGESTS*, R.J. Taylor Jr. Foundation

- 1789-1799 No Offutts (also no Columbia Co. returns)
- 1800-1802 WM. J. (I.?) OFFUTT Richmond Co. 1800
- 1804-1806 ARCHABALD OFFUTT Columbia Co. 1806
- JESSE OFFUTT Columbia Co. 1806
- EZEKIEL OFFUTT Jackson Co. 1804
- 1809-1811 WM. OFFETT Wilkes Co. 1809
- 1814-1817 No Offutts (no Columbia Co. returns)

NOTE: Offutts present in GA before 1780. Most often found in Columbia and Richmond Counties. Offutt is never spelled Alford or any variation usually considered an alternative spelling of Alford. The earliest Archibald Alford may hve been Isham's son Baldy born about 1787.

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| Charles H. Alford
AAFA #187
430 Meadowlark Lane
Palm Harbor, FL 34683 | Muriel Hope Stevens
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243 Friscoville Avenue
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AAFA #041
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Wake Forest, NC 27587 | Wright Sullivan
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Inman, SC 29349 |
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craft, which carried us to France.

"We landed about 6:00 on Jun 6, 1944. I stayed with the company until June 14th, when I was hurt. I was on patrol with four other men. It came time for our relief men, but they did not show up. So I asked one of the other men to go see what happened. He and the others did not want to go, so I went. This was at night.

"I fell in a hole and stayed there all night. I could not move. They found me the next morning. I was sent to a hospital in England. Stayed there for four weeks. I was sent back to the company; they were in Belgium by then. I stayed with them until Oct. 13, 1944. I was hit and was sent back to England to the hospital."

Alford's military honors include the American Defense Service Medal, ETO Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Distinguished Unit Badge, Meritorious Unit Award and the World War II Victory Medal. ❖

Jacob Alford's State Theater

Based on an undated article by Jack Ryan in the McComb *Enterprise-Journal*: "Group to restore State Theater to heyday"; and an article in the 30 June 1993 edition of that paper by June Gilbert: "The State Theatre, A Dime and An Egg."

The State Theater on State Street in McComb, MS, was opened by AAFA Board Member Julius "Pooley" Alford's father Jacob Alford on Christmas Day in 1926. In its heyday, it had a neon marquee and sidewalk canopy.

Now a 13-member restoration committee, of which Julius is co-chairman,

plans to raise \$216,000 to give the building a thorough restoration. Exterior work will include repairs and chemical cleaning of the facade's masonry, replacement of broken art deco-style carrara glass, new doors to match the original ones, and a new tile roof. The interior will be rewired and will receive new aisle carpeting, new light fixtures in the foyer, and a new air conditioning system.

The committee plans to raise money by selling \$50 and \$500 personalized bricks that will be used to pave the sidewalk in front of the theater. The city of McComb will also be asked to contribute \$100,000 over 10 years.

A Texas restoration specialist was called in for advice. "He said it was extremely well-built. I was real proud of that," said Pooley Alford, who was one year old when his father opened the State. He later worked there as an usher.

Movie exhibitor T.G. Solomon, who leased the State from the Alfords and later bought the theater, donated it to McComb in 1974. Currently, the city leases the theater to the Pike County Arts Council for \$1 per year. In 1992 the State was in use 168 days and houses the Pike county Arts Council, Pike county Little Theatre, and McComb Main Street Project. More

This photograph shows the State Theater [opened in 1926 by Jacob Alford, father of Julius Alford, AAFA #13] in the 1930s or 1940s, when State Street was still paved by bricks. A Barbara Stanwyck movie, "The Mad Miss Manton," was playing. A committee hopes to raise \$216,000 to restore the building to its old glamour.

than 30,000 people attended events at the State in 1992.

In 1979 the State underwent its first restoration, which was handled by the Arts Council. At that time, more than 200 seats were removed from the 700 seat theater to make room for the orchestra pit and stage.

Some long-time McComb residents shared their memories of the old theater:

Agnes Louise McGehee—"Cost of admission was 11 cents [10 cents and a penny tax]. I remember the football players didn't have 11 cents. They'd bring a dime and an egg and Miss Alma Brasher (the cashier) would put a penny in the till for them and take the egg home."

Gloria Dudding—"I remember when sometime after the war Eddie Baker had a date with Lillian Simmons and Pooley Alford had a date with me. This date consisted of Pooley taking us to the movie (which was free since his father owned the theater), getting us a bag of popcorn (also free) and then going to Twin Oaks where we would each order a nickel coke. The total date was 20 cents. Pooley said, 'Aaaaah, isn't it good to be back in McComb and have these cheap dates?' Years later, Pooley hasn't changed a bit."

Julius "Pooley" Alford—"those days serials ran 10-15 chapters. All the films, particularly when delivered to small town theaters, came in large metal cannisters, containers from a central distribution center like Jackson or new Orleans. These centers would make up the program for that theater for that day—the whole package, including the feature, comedy, etc. It was all on the reel in the order it would show.

"People would complain about the movies sometimes, but one thing that would cause almost World War

II (kind of like leaving the crossword out of the newspaper) was a distribution center forgetting to deliver the next chapter in a series. If a feature film didn't come, the theater could substitute. But, if you're going to the theater to see Chapter 7 of Flash Gordon and Emperor Ming, that's what you wanted to see. The previous chapter would always end with someone in a grave, life-threatening situation—Ming about to disintegrate Flash or someone about to go over a cliff. The audience was left wondering all week how ... Flash was going to escape and then they'd walk into the theater, see a cartoon, go through the first of the package and then the projectionist discover he didn't have Chapter 8. That was one time when there would almost be a riot."

Peggy Thompson—"During the first part of WWII Jake Alford, who owned and managed the State Theater at that time, got into some kind of disagreement with MGM, or whoever was his mail booking agency, and lost MGM pictures for a year or two. He showed only PRC pictures (Producers Releasing Corporation) featuring such major stars as Ann Florio and Jack LaRue. I remember one particular movie with Ann doing a semi-strip tease on stage and there was a wind storm coming in behind her. The little leaves kind of floated across the screen and all of a sudden the camera went a little too far and you saw the fan, the electric fan that was behind the stage during filming to blow the leaves for the film. that was PRC."

Julius Alford—"I miss] the family feeling. My father took over the theater when I was one year old. I sat on the counter as Miss Alma took up money. I made popcorn. Everybody knew everybody. People would come to the theater and ask if someone they were looking for had come by. Everybody knew everybody by name." ❖

(Queries..., cont. from p. 1)

Now, if I have convinced you of the wisdom of using queries, you better give some careful thought as to how one is to be worded. Try to give the reader some idea of what you know already and what you need to know. But be specific and ask just one question at a time. A lot of questions in the same query will only serve to further confuse everybody.

For example, if you indicate in your query that you need to know when and where Lodwick Alford b. 1710 died, you are likely to get dozens of replies giving you the dates and places of death of Lodwick, Jr. his two grandsons of Wayne County, NC and Troup County, GA and his nephew James Lodwick Alford of Wake County, NC. All will be blissfully unaware there were four or five different Lodwicks, each correspondent thinking he has helped you a lot.

You need to give more identifying data for the Lodwick you're asking about. But multiple questions in the same query will most likely scare off a reader who sincerely wants to help. He may have a query himself in the same issue. A lot of questions in one sentence can be overpowering. But whatever response you get from a reader who wants to help you, reply to him/her immediately even if only a post card promising a fuller reply later. Believe me, sooner or later you will hit pay dirt. Trust me. Good hunting! ❖

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“Alfords” in VA & WV Social Security Decedent File

The “Alfords” on the following list are from the Virginia or West Virginia Social Security Decedent File. They may have been born, registered for social security, or died in Virginia or West Virginia.

“Born” may actually indicate the state in which the person registered for social security. Zip is the place where benefits were being mailed at time of death. The City is not found in the decedent file. AAFA used another file to match the zip code to the city. A zip code appearing in parentheses after the City is where the death benefits were mailed, if other than Zip.

Social security numbers assigned in Virginia are 223-231 and for West Virginia are 233-236.

SS Number	Name	Born	Died	Zip City
224-17-6337	ADA	ALFORD	03/17/1907 VA	10/00/1988 22405 Fredericksburg
234-14-0139	ADAM	ALFORD	10/02/1918 WV	06/00/1978 OH 43228 Columbus
224-62-7708	AGNES	ALFORD	05/11/1876 VA	09/00/1976 FL 32060 Live Oak
247-16-0996	ALEXANDER	ALFORD	02/28/1917 SC	06/00/1987 VA 23523 Norfolk
223-28-9568	ALICE	ALLFORD	06/07/1886 VA	10/00/1963 VA 00000 —
271-32-6380	ALINE	ALFORD	02/07/1931 OH	08/00/1982 VA 24210 Abingdon
578-38-6440	AMANDA	HALFORD	05/11/1907 DC	03/14/1988 22204 Arlington
224-09-5619	ANDREW	ALFORD	09/03/1893 VA	02/00/1973 VA 24179 Vinton
225-05-5366	ANDREW	ALFRED	09/22/1918 VA	02/00/1984 VA 24426 Covington
236-16-2725	ANDY	ALFORD	04/13/1909 WV	01/00/1976 WV 25564 Sod
235-78-8034	ANNA	ALFRED	04/06/1884 WV	08/00/1967 WV 26452 Weston
223-01-0373	ANNIE	ALFORD	09/26/1909 VA	03/00/1987 VA 23223 Richmond
248-68-2304	ANNIE	ALFORD	04/01/1915 SC	12/00/1983 VA 22312 Alexandria
236-16-2932	ARNOLD	ALFRED	02/22/1908 WV	08/00/1973 WV 26445 Vadis
224-01-2911	ARTHUR	ALFORD	11/19/1900 VA	07/00/1970 VA 24360 Max Meadows
226-03-8730	ARTHUR	ALFORD	09/28/1912 VA	09/00/1966 VA 24555 Glasgow
227-03-8836	BEATRICE	ALFRED	07/31/1916 VA	06/00/1987 VA 24422 Clifton Forge
232-54-8871	BENJAMIN	ALFORD	05/21/1936 WV	12/24/1989 43945 Salineville
235-56-2563	BERTHA	ALFRED	09/16/1894 WV	04/00/1979 WV 26301 Clarksburg
236-86-7898	BERTHA	ALFORD	12/30/1906 WV	10/00/1989 25526 Hurricane
223-56-9801	BESSIE	ALFORD	01/03/1890 VA	12/00/1972 VA 22207 Arlington
243-16-6553	BESSIE	ALFORD	05/31/1904 NC	12/00/1989 23607 Newport News
236-84-0221	BLANCHE	ALFORD	07/29/1917 WV	02/00/1986 WV 25003 Alum Creek
285-12-6941	BRUCE	ALFORD	05/16/1917 OH	03/11/1989 25523 Hamlin
227-30-9675	BYRD	HALFORD	02/18/1883 VA	05/00/1976 VA 24541 Danville
230-03-6997	CALDWELL	ALLFORD	06/29/1908 VA	06/00/1971 VA 23701 Portsmouth
233-16-1077	CECIL	ALFORD	02/02/1910 WV	12/00/1982 WV 24740 Princeton
234-38-0650	CHARLES	ALFORD	04/03/1879 WV	10/00/1963 WV 00000 —
229-09-6487	CHARLES	ALFORD	11/28/1913 VA	03/00/1962 00000 —
236-05-4014	CHARLIE	ALFORD	11/11/1900 WV	03/00/1968 WV 24740 Princeton
184-12-4120	CLARENCE	ALFRED	10/27/1905 PA	12/00/1968 WV 26521 Blacksville
224-52-1286	CLIMONT	ALFRED	10/19/1918 VA	03/00/1981 TX 77018 Houston (77022)
235-28-4712	CLYDE	ALFORD	05/09/1908 WV	05/00/1983 WV 25177 Saint Albans
232-42-5386	CONSTANCE	ALFRED	11/29/1917 WV	10/11/1990 26422 Reynoldsville
233-96-5208	CORA	ALFORD	06/09/1897 WV	09/00/1979 WV 25564 Sod
246-16-2866	CORA	ALFORD	07/12/1906 NC	11/00/1987 VA 23607 Newport News
230-64-2555	CRYSTAL	ALFORD	08/16/1947 VA	11/00/1986 VA 22180 Vienna
233-18-5512	D ELIZABE	ALFORD	02/24/1918 WV	09/00/1990 25177 Saint Albans
226-72-7816	DAISY	ALFORD	12/25/1940 VA	04/00/1973 00000 —

223-01-2338	DAVID	ALFORD	07/02/1904 VA	09/00/1970 VA	23227 Richmond
231-14-9192	DAVID	ALFORD	11/07/1908 VA	11/10/1990	22980 Waynesboro
235-54-0137	DELPHIA	ALFRED	01/30/1899 WV	09/00/1978 WV	26187 Williamstown
234-14-0712	DENZIL	ALFRED	12/10/1913 WV	05/00/1983 OH	44470 Southington
719-01-1123	DONALD	ALFORD	07/22/1908 RR	08/00/1979 VA	23707 Portsmouth (23703)
225-36-8506	DORA	ALFRED	02/12/1888 VA	04/00/1979 VA	24153 Salem (24426)
226-92-2147	DORA	ALFORD	06/10/1903 VA	09/00/1981 WV	24836 Gary
236-24-1942	DOROTHY	ALFRED	08/18/1920 WV	08/00/1987 VA	22735 Reva
266-34-5258	DOYLE	ALFORD	01/07/1929 FL	02/05/1991	22309 Alexandria
234-05-8342	DUANE	ALFRED	03/21/1905 WV	07/00/1987 AZ	85363 Youngtown
234-01-5936	E	ALFORD	07/28/1903 WV	04/00/1978 WV	25177 Saint Albans
718-18-4175	EARLY	ALFORD	01/18/1895 RR	11/00/1976 WV	25541 Milton
234-80-3569	EDNA	ALFRED	06/04/1883 WV	11/00/1966 WV	26101 Parkersburg
239-14-4496	EDWARD	ALFRED	05/28/1918 NC	04/15/1990	22204 Arlington
249-54-8974	ELIZABETH	ALFORD	12/20/1892 SC	12/00/1986 VA	22905 Charlottesville
245-18-9382	ELVIS	ALFORD	04/21/1908 NC	12/00/1983 VA	22314 Alexandria
272-62-4025	EMMA	ALFRED	07/22/1889 OH	05/00/1977 WV	26321 Alum Bridge
223-09-6202	EMMETT	ALFORD	11/09/1900 VA	01/00/1982 VA	23220 Richmond
228-14-0364	EMMETT	ALFORD	08/21/1911 VA	11/00/1963	00000 —
229-18-6204	ERNEST	ALFRED	01/06/1925 VA	12/00/1980	00000 —
231-44-3555	ESSIE	ALFRED	04/09/1932 VA	06/00/1987 VA	23228 Richmond
428-24-5057	ETHEL	ALFORD	02/08/1899 MS	05/00/1977 VA	23834 Colonial Heights (39648)
232-78-7186	EVERETT	ALFORD	10/12/1891 WV	12/00/1973 WV	25177 Saint Albans
227-05-4911	EVERETT	ALFORD	10/04/1918 VA	07/00/1972	00000 —
235-18-5240	FERNANDIN	ALFORD	07/23/1894 WV	07/24/1989	25564 Sod
216-22-4979	FLORENCE	ALFORD	05/18/1897 MD	04/00/1974 VA	22503 Lancaster
271-03-1843	FLOYD	HALFORD	05/06/1890 OH	01/00/1963 VA	00000 —
232-16-1851	FORREST	ALFORD	05/17/1915 WV	03/00/1977 WV	25177 Saint Albans
232-07-9142	FRANCIS	ALLFORD	01/18/1910 WV	07/00/1974	00000 —
226-42-4393	FRANK	HOLFORD	08/22/1885 VA	11/00/1970 VA	22151 Springfield
230-24-4422	FRANK	HOLFORD	11/20/1915 VA	11/00/1975 MD	21204 Towson
233-74-9541	GARNETT	ALFORD	03/27/1902 WV	04/00/1975 WV	25541 Milton
223-10-9452	GEORGE	ALFORD	06/21/1908 VA	03/00/1975 NC	27292 Lexington
233-62-2025	GLADYS	ALFORD	12/10/1899 WV	10/00/1975 WV	25526 Hurricane
231-24-2509	HAROLD	ALFORD	04/16/1909 VA	08/00/1967 VA	24343 Hillsville
234-46-0137	HARRY	ALFORD	04/17/1930 WV	07/00/1976 AK	99705 North Pole
235-07-3789	HEATH	ALFORD	01/24/1902 WV	12/00/1981 WV	24836 Gary
577-36-0737	HELEN	ALFRED	09/06/1920 DC	11/17/1988	22314 Alexandria
216-03-8349	HENRY	ALFORD	07/10/1890 MD	04/00/1975 VA	22503 Lancaster
230-44-5118	HENRY	ALFORD	12/18/1936 VA	08/00/1968	00000 —
423-18-6759	HENRY	ALFRED	07/15/1912 AL	05/00/1980 VA	23222 Richmond
234-34-0608	HERMAN	ALFORD	07/01/1898 WV	08/00/1984 WV	25526 Hurricane
233-30-9984	HERMAN	ALFORD	03/01/1924 WV	10/00/1984 WV	25801 Beckley (25905)
224-70-8984	HETTIE	ALFORD	05/10/1883 VA	09/00/1970 VA	24431 Crimora
421-12-7464	HEZEKIAH	ALFRED	07/16/1886 AL	05/00/1963 VA	00000 —
228-05-6352	HUBERT	ALFORD	08/30/1907 VA	04/00/1987 VA	23860 Hopewell
225-92-6464	IRISHA	ALFORD	10/05/1900 VA	11/00/1978 VA	24555 Glasgow
231-09-3999	ISAAC	ALFORD	12/20/1900 VA	01/00/1964 SC	00000 —
226-30-9915	J	ALFORD	06/26/1926 VA	12/00/1989	00000 —
223-07-6658	JAMES	ALFORD	10/20/1886 VA	02/00/1967 VA	23220 Richmond
231-30-4738	JAMES	ALFORD	08/15/1895 VA	08/00/1983 VA	23222 Richmond

225-10-2403	JAMES	ALFORD	07/28/1900 VA	12/00/1965 DC	20032 Washington
223-05-1565	JAMES	ALFORD	08/06/1904 VA	06/00/1966 VA	23223 Richmond
235-10-4274	JAMES	ALFORD	01/08/1910 WV	03/00/1986 WV	25309 South Charleston
200-03-8448	JAMES	ALFORD	06/28/1920 PA	08/00/1986 VA	23915 Baskerville
232-64-3748	JASPER	ALFORD	09/22/1940 WV	06/00/1985 WV	25177 Saint Albans
230-36-3095	JEAN	ALFRED	05/21/1926 VA	10/00/1988	23225 Richmond
228-44-3772	JERRY	ALFRED	07/25/1939 VA	07/00/1978 VA	24541 Danville
248-10-1472	JOHN	ALLFORD	11/14/1895 SC	01/00/1983 VA	23663 Hampton
229-10-5508	JOHN	ALFORD	11/12/1901 VA	01/00/1967 VA	23707 Portsmouth
235-10-8455	JOHN	ALFORD	12/28/1905 WV	01/00/1976 WV	25134 Miami
234-07-3483	JOHN	ALFORD	11/01/1907 WV	10/00/1975 WV	25701 Huntington
238-18-6484	JOHN	ALFORD	09/14/1912 NC	11/00/1980 VA	23504 Norfolk
236-56-9173	JOHN	ALFORD	09/02/1937 WV	02/00/1972	00000 —
230-56-4985	JOHN	ALFORD	09/29/1948 VA	03/00/1985	00000 —
232-18-2874	JOHNIE	ALFRED	09/13/1911 WV	05/00/1987 WV	25261 Millstone
236-34-0301	JONAS	ALFORD	10/07/1880 WV	11/00/1970 WV	25177 Saint Albans
234-16-8139	JOSEPH	ALFORD	06/27/1902 WV	08/00/1975 WV	25526 Hurricane
240-12-7624	JOSEPH	ALFORD	05/01/1912 NC	11/30/1990	23222 Richmond
230-76-4588	JOYCE	ALFORD	08/26/1952 VA	03/00/1983	00000 —
227-92-2064	KATHERINE	ALFORD	02/08/1895 VA	10/00/1981 VA	22207 Arlington
236-14-1558	KENNETH	ALFRED	02/29/1916 WV	10/00/1974	00000 —
230-40-8258	KENT	ALFORD	03/22/1908 VA	12/00/1985 VA	24312 Austinville
226-36-7466	LAURA	ALVORD	06/18/1903 VA	12/00/1980 VA	23347 Eastville
227-58-8297	LAURA	ALFRED	11/26/1913 VA	05/00/1982 TX	77022 Houston
241-36-6350	LEE	ALFORD	04/08/1928 NC	05/00/1987 VA	23223 Richmond
225-52-5199	LEONARD	ALFORD	05/27/1912 VA	02/00/1989	22150 Springfield
234-07-3438	LESLIE	ALFORD	08/13/1905 WV	02/00/1977 WV	25526 Hurricane
231-50-8945	LEVERN	ALFORD	10/07/1940 VA	09/00/1973	00000 —
226-03-8765	LIRTY	ALFORD	12/05/1901 VA	07/00/1969 VA	24555 Glasgow
234-20-9881	LORENZA	ALFORD	11/05/1883 WV	04/00/1967 WV	25564 Sod
244-26-9679	LORENZO	ALFORD	04/17/1912 NC	07/00/1979 VA	23517 Norfolk
057-01-9550	LOU	ALFORD	08/09/1886 NY	08/00/1972 VA	24421 Churchville
232-62-2470	LOUVERNA	ALFRED	10/22/1896 WV	02/00/1987 WV	25550 Point Pleasant
235-42-7235	LUCILLE	ALFORD	03/25/1909 WV	10/00/1964 WV	00000 —
225-12-6139	LUCILLE	ALFORD	09/10/1913 VA	02/00/1979 PA	19146 Philadelphia
235-36-7671	LUCINDA	ALFORD	02/06/1910 WV	08/00/1985 VA	24201 Bristol
226-32-9202	LULA	ALFORD	01/15/1917 VA	01/25/1990	24151 Rocky Mount
235-62-0934	LURA	ALFRED	06/20/1904 WV	02/00/1972 WV	26452 Weston
418-34-2549	LUVERTA	ALFORD	02/08/1919 AL	09/00/1987 VA	23669 Hampton
223-12-8927	MABEL	ALFORD	07/06/1903 VA	10/00/1982 VA	24502 Lynchburg
229-18-4064	MAGGIE	ALFORD	01/27/1904 VA	05/00/1983 VA	23222 Richmond
233-96-2189	MARGARET	ALFRED	10/06/1889 WV	06/00/1975 WV	26155 New Martinsville
232-66-2867	MARGARET	ALFORD	09/08/1921 WV	09/00/1976 WV	25177 Saint Albans
223-22-8415	MARIAN	ALFORD	01/31/1925 VA	03/03/1990	24450 Lexington
230-38-9183	MARION	ALFORD	09/05/1934 VA	07/00/1987 VA	23834 Colonial Heights
223-06-4354	MARTHA	ALFRED	07/08/1891 VA	02/00/1981 VA	22066 Great Falls
223-09-4650	MILDRED	HOLFORD	10/13/1912 VA	10/00/1985 CA	92343 Hemet
228-38-5174	MILTON	ALFORD	09/25/1931 VA	05/00/1983	00000 —
235-29-6152	NATHAN	ALFORD	07/09/1986 WV	12/00/1986 WV	26378 Jane Lew
229-03-1554	NEAL	ALFRED	08/05/1907 VA	10/00/1969 DC	20009 Washington
248-05-3711	NEILL	ALFORD	09/21/1880 SC	11/00/1969 VA	22960 Orange
226-03-8293	NELLIE	ALFORD	10/16/1880 VA	08/00/1968 VA	24501 Lynchburg

224-12-4475	ODIE	ALFORD	10/10/1902 VA	01/00/1957	00000 —
234-18-9201	OLIVE	ALFORD	01/02/1893 WV	05/00/1976 WV	25701 Huntington
234-64-7258	OMA	ALFORD	03/14/1910 WV	07/00/1981 WV	25564 Sod
229-12-2772	PAUL	ALFORD	06/11/1914 VA	11/00/1984 VA	24382 Wytheville
232-40-6660	PAUL	ALFORD	06/17/1929 WV	02/00/1987 OH	45672 Ray
223-14-7141	PEARLIE	ALFORD	10/02/1917 VA	06/00/1977 SC	29571 Marion
403-26-4681	RALPH	ALFORD	01/22/1902 KY	02/00/1973 WV	24854 Kopperston
230-42-2052	RALPH	ALFRED	02/27/1938 VA	01/00/1976	00000 —
226-05-6906	RAYMOND	ALFORD	05/11/1887 VA	08/00/1968 VA	23605 Newport News
234-40-0608	REBA	ALFORD	07/01/1918 WV	03/24/1988	25705 Huntington
232-18-3995	RICHARD	ALFRED	10/07/1908 WV	11/28/1989	25234 Arnoldsburg
235-22-6858	ROBERT	ALFORD	08/16/1893 WV	06/00/1973 MS	39345 Newton
226-03-0801	ROBERT	ALFORD	08/28/1907 VA	03/00/1972 VA	24501 Lynchburg
228-09-6412	ROBERT	ALFORD	08/08/1912 VA	10/00/1985 KY	41011 Covington
231-14-7374	ROBERT	ALFORD	10/06/1916 VA	08/00/1982 VA	24312 Austinville
235-50-2056	ROBERT	ALFRED	02/17/1908 WV	10/00/1973 WV	25314 Charleston
106-07-2083	ROBIE	ALFORD	09/28/1888 NY	05/00/1970 VA	24060 Blacksburg
235-01-3282	ROMEA	ALFORD	06/25/1911 WV	03/14/1988	25309 South Charleston
235-50-0997	ROY	ALFORD	12/28/1894 WV	07/00/1968 WV	25303 South Charleston
577-22-0759	ROY	ALFORD	07/30/1905 DC	12/00/1970 VA	23510 Norfolk
223-18-4499	ROY	ALFORD	02/06/1912 VA	12/00/1979 DC	20003 Washington
236-14-1559	ROY	ALFRED	02/28/1884 WV	05/00/1967 OH	44430 Leavittsburg
228-01-1660	RUBY	ALFORD	02/27/1910 VA	04/04/1989	23860 Hopewell
394-10-7825	RUEL	ALFORD	01/09/1907 WI	11/00/1987 VA	23185 Williamsburg
225-50-8101	RUTHEY	ALFORD	03/28/1923 VA	08/00/1986 NJ	08873 Somerset
223-64-2928	SALLIE	ALFORD	02/13/1912 VA	08/00/1987 VA	24431 Crimora
411-42-3811	SAMUEL	ALFORD, JR	08/10/1930 TN	04/00/1987 WV	25801 Beckley
231-24-9846	SHERMAN	ALFORD	03/29/1926 VA	02/00/1980 VA	24382 Wytheville
232-68-0797	SYLVIA	ALFORD	02/25/1901 WV	01/00/1971 WV	25309 South Charleston
234-24-5683	TOM	ALFORD	12/29/1919 WV	04/23/1990	25526 Hurricane
225-03-0528	VARNEL	ALFORD	11/18/1919 VA	08/00/1979 TN	37411 Chattanooga
225-72-2690	VIOLA	ALFORD	11/12/1892 VA	06/00/1981 VA	22980 Waynesboro
223-20-5188	WADE	ALFORD	02/13/1905 VA	09/00/1968 VA	24555 Glasgow
227-01-9472	WALTER	ALFORD	12/14/1912 VA	01/00/1985 VA	24360 Max Meadows
224-16-8601	WARD	ALFORD	10/10/1916 VA	12/00/1977 VA	22980 Waynesboro (22952)
234-07-4010	WILLARD	ALFORD	10/19/1901 WV	07/00/1983 WV	25526 Hurricane
231-03-0856	WILLARD	ALFORD	04/10/1910 VA	08/00/1983 VA	23185 Williamsburg
264-01-9300	WILLIAM	ALFORD	01/10/1893 FL	06/00/1973 VA	23702 Portsmouth
411-12-0167	WILLIAM	ALFORD	03/02/1896 TN	12/00/1963 VA	00000 —
232-14-0491	WILLIAM	ALFORD	04/25/1900 WV	07/00/1987 OH	43205 Columbus
234-16-2353	WILLIAM	ALFORD	06/27/1902 WV	03/00/1968 WV	25526 Hurricane
227-07-0288	WILLIAM	ALFORD	05/30/1903 VA	09/00/1977 VA	24555 Glasgow
236-05-4887	WILLIAM	ALFORD	07/23/1909 WV	01/00/1974 WV	25526 Hurricane
232-14-4360	WILLIAM	ALFORD	02/14/1913 WV	03/00/1981 WV	24657 Whitewood (24624)
227-30-0057	WILLIAM	ALFORD	11/25/1921 VA	02/00/1985 VA	23223 Richmond
234-46-0809	WILLIAM	ALFORD	05/29/1931 WV	10/00/1986 CO	80219 Denver
235-26-3187	WOODROW	ALFORD	02/16/1914 WV	06/00/1986 WV	25564 Sod
128-05-8033	XELPERT	ALFORD	09/10/1904 NY	11/12/1989	24018 Roanoke
223-28-2637	ZELMA	ALFORD	05/21/1898 VA	12/00/1982 VA	24381 Woodlawn ❖

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Eating out at Cottons, L-R: Mary Alford Helms, AAFA #407, of Little Rock, AR, who is one of our Arkansas State Co-Representatives; Donald Ray Alford, AAFA #58; and Alicia Houston, AAFA #1, from Pennsylvania, who is the AAFA Genealogist and Census Project Officer.

L-R: Yvonne Alford Wall, Frankie Alford Penny, Nolan David Alford, AAFA #425, from Mt. Hermon, LA. Yvonne, Nolan's mother, and Frankie were Nolan's guests at the meeting.

Andrea Alford Fantacci, AAFA #319, AAFA Merchandising Coordinator, and her father Lodwick H. Alford, AAFA #11, Chairman of the AAFA Board of Directors and past first president.

Gilbert K. and Mary Alford at the Saturday Dinner. Gil is the AAFA Executive Director.

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634 BRANDON MYERS ALFORD	4171 COOPER COURT	BOULDER	CO 80303	WILLIAM J.	
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636 LUCILLE ALFORD GAINNEY	POST OFFICE BOX 1135	RIDGELAND	MS 39158	JAMES	1687CA VA
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638 JAMES ALAN SWAN	303 HAWTHORNE DRIVE	MADISON	MS 39110	JAMES	1687CA VA
639 POLLYANNA C. GREGG	7344 MIAMI AVENUE	CINCINNATI	OH 45243	ELIZABETH	1720E VA (GREGG)
640 ROBINETTE CRUISE	ROUTE 1, BOX 969	GURDON	AR 71743		
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		HILL RD NE			
644 LORI KAY ALFORD	465 WEST 22ND STREET	TRACY	CA 95376	JAMES	1687CA VA
645 PAT MCGUYER	POST OFFICE BOX 879	CORSICANA	TX 75151	NANCY (3 mar)	1807CA TN
646 WILLIAM WRIGHT SULLIVAN	120 LORETTA DRIVE	SPARTANBURG	SC 29301	JAMES	1687CA VA
647 SUSAN M. LAUBENGAYER	1929 PARK AVENUE	KLAMATH FALLS	OR 97601	THOMAS	1815CA VA MONR
648 CHARLES KNOWLES ALFORD	15607 LA CASA	HOUSTON	TX 77062	JAMES	1687CA VA
649 MABEL LUNDSTROM	2339 NEWCASTLE AVE.	CARDIFF-BY- THE-SEA	CA 92007		
		THAANUM			
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651 CECIL "DEZMON" ALFORD	ROUTE 3, BOX 343B	PHILADELPHIA	MS 35350	JOHN	1816CA NC
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